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## 'Mr. Mom' and 19 kids cook up feast their way

By TAMARA GRIPPI

PATRICK ALLAN'S classroom at River School was transformed into a full-fledged kitchen Nov. 22 as 19 fifth graders chopped, measured and cooked up complete turkey and ham dinners.

While most adults would likely shy away from letting a group of 10- and 11-year-olds loose in the kitchen on Thanksgiving, Allan was delighted with the idea. "I've always believed in kids doing everything."

And without room mothers to help oversee the event, Allan decided that he could be "Mr. Mom."

Allan's kitchen of child chefs was remarkably well-organized and calm. The teacher explained that his students were adhering to their detailed cooking schedule, which had been worked out ahead of time. Every part of the preparation — from chopping onions to making stock — had been scrupulously planned.

When Allan asked the children what they wanted to cook, they asked for it all — turkey and ham, regular dressing and vegetarian dressing, sweet potatoes and mashed potatoes.

Allan was only too happy to oblige. "I never do anything small," he said.

The students, who were responsible for following the recipes, were

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PHOTO/TAMARA GRIPPI

Kyle Dailey, Lehana Leplus and Michael Modorsky were rarin' to get at the Thanksgiving dinner of turkey, ham and all the tricky trimmings that they cooked themselves at Carmel River School Nov. 22.

## Family asks, 'Where did our water go?'

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHEN SAN Jose resident Patricia Ball needed money to pay for a caregiver to help her ailing parents, Tollie and Marie Golmon, she decided to sell the Casanova Street lot the Golmans have owned since 1968. That was when she got devastating news: The property has no water and probably won't be allowed to get any for a long time.

Ball is one of hundreds of owners of unbuilt lots of record in the Cal-Am service area whose land is suddenly worth much less because of the Peninsula's long-term water shortage.

Being from out of town, it never occurred to her that her parents' land would not be able to tap into the community water supply. An old home on the lot was torn down in 1981 after it was condemned by the city. Several years later the water service was declared "abandoned" and the water meter was pulled.

"Cal-Am had serviced it," Ball said, explaining her assumption that the parcel would always have water. "Then all of a sudden I got a rude awakening."

Ball had received an offer of more than \$900,000 for the land — a double lot — shortly after she put up the "For Sale" sign, but the purchase was contingent on water being available and the sale fell through.

"Water is a God-given right," Ball said. "I believe constitutional rights have really been violated."

### Law of the land

But Stephanie Locke Pintar, water demand manager for the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, said removing water credits from unused property after a decade of disuse is standard procedure.

"In general, they have up to 10 years to use that water credit," Pintar said. The time limit had been imposed as water board policy ever since the permitting process began in 1985; it was turned into an ordinance in 1992, according to Pintar.

When water use is reduced or eliminated on a piece of property, she said, that water credit is available on the property for 10 years. If the owner has not initiated a project by that time and the water remains unused, the credit is removed from the land and assimilated back into the overall water use.

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## WHAT A DUMP!

### 'Environmental Park' turns garbage gas into power and profit

By KIRSTIE WILDE

AS SHE leads a busload of children on a tour of the Monterey Regional "Don't call it a dump" Environmental Park in Marina, Heidi Feldman never has to worry about sounding like a hypocrite as she tells the kids the motto of the landfill: Reduce, reuse, recycle.

Feldman's organization, the Monterey Regional Waste Management District, has used those three R's to turn the old Marina dump into the best integrated solid waste system in the entire continent of North America (officially named so in 1998), extended the life of the landfill beyond the years of anybody taking the trash out today, and converted its methane gas waste into a \$700,000 profit in the last 12 months.

What a dump, indeed.

### Gold in them thar hills

The unfortunate habit of buried garbage to produce stinky methane gas creates pollution and fire hazards at old dumps across America. The Shoreline Amphitheater in Mountain View was built on top of a dump decades ago, but the methane continued to seep up through the concert grounds. "Sometimes a smoker would toss a lighted match on the ground and poof! — the gas would ignite at their feet," said Mario Van Cleave, supervisor of the power system at the Marina landfill. Shoreline had to install an expensive system to vacuum the gas away from the amphitheater and burn it, which Van Cleave calls "a waste."

For the past three years, Van Cleave has supervised a system that would make Rumpelstiltskin proud. It turns methane produced by piles of rotting garbage into enough electricity to power 3,000 homes. That translates to a profit of \$700,000 in the past year, according to General

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## New dawn for Carmel Youth Center

By MARY BROWNFIELD

HER ENTHUSIASM is infectious when Dawn Bryant talks about the Carmel Youth Center.

"More than anything else I just really want to see the center really being used by the kids," she fairly bubbled, after learning that she got the job.

Bryant, who will leave her position as recreation supervisor for the City of Seaside to return to Carmel (she served as the program supervisor for Carmel-by-the-Sea for three years before heading to Seaside), said she couldn't resist applying for the job at the youth center.

"I was always just enchanted by the Carmel Youth Center when I was working with the city — it's a beautiful facility with a dedicated board. It's a really, really neat place," she said.

Ron Parravano, president of the youth center board,

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# Farr challenger wants government to be 'Robin Hood'

By TAMARA GRIPPI

JOE GROSSMAN, a democrat who has announced he will challenge Sam Farr for the 17th congressional seat, argues that the federal government needs to vastly increase the amount of money it spends on programs for education, affordable housing and health care.

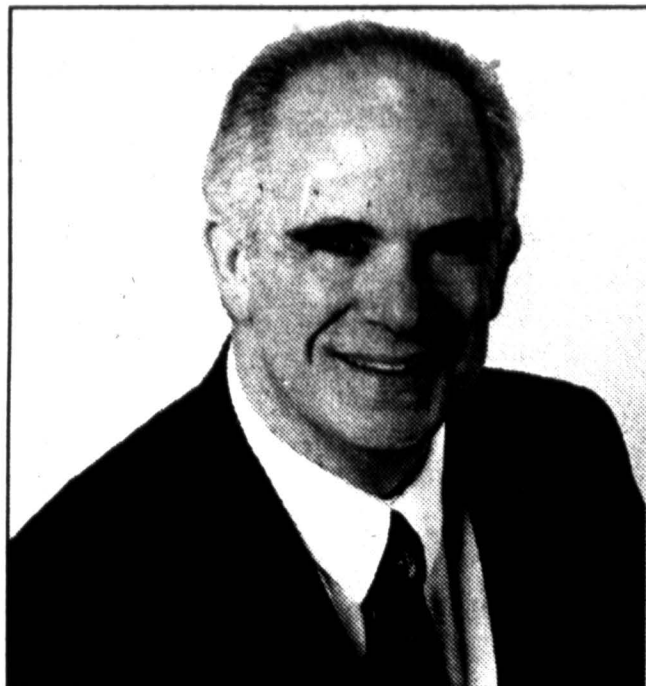
"It seems self-evident that the government should serve the people," said Grossman, a former social worker and teacher. "We have many programs that help people, but they have to be real programs. Right now we have photo-ops, not programs."

To pay for the programs, the government should raise taxes on people making the most money — upwards of \$500,000, — Grossman said.

"The gap between low income and high income people is growing faster in America than any place else in the world," Grossman said. "The money is being captured by relatively few. The government has to morph into Robin Hood."

While the candidate hasn't determined exactly how much taxes should be increased on the biggest earners, he believes that decision should be based on the needs of federal programs.

"You figure the amount you need and



Joe Grossman

raise the amount they're paying," he said.

Grossman proposes that the government should double the amount of money it spends on education every year, from 39 billion to 78 billion.

Class size reductions, more intensive reading programs and more money for preschool programs such as Head Start top Grossman's list of priorities.

He argues that the federal monies could be used to hire more teachers and pay for the infrastructure — new buildings and class-

rooms — to support the smaller classes.

Grossman also supports universal health-care coverage, which would be funded through what he calls "paycheck deductions."

"The term 'paycheck deduction' may frighten people, but many families are paying \$6,000 to \$7,000 a year for health insurance," Grossman said. "Paycheck deductions generally result in lower expenditures for health care than we currently have."

Grossman's plan for national health insurance would pro-rate the deductions based on income — with most of the money coming from people earning over \$150,000 a year.

Grossman has similar ideas about capturing more money for social security. "Right now you stop paying on the first \$75,000 you make," he said. "So if you make \$1 million, you don't pay any more than someone who makes \$100,000." He says he would eliminate the ceiling on social security contributions.

The candidate also believes the federal government should be doing more to provide affordable housing. "It's one of the biggest problems facing the country," he said. Grossman favors small-scale housing sponsored by the government.

## 'Pro-labor, pro-environment'

Grossman, who spent 15 years working with court-placed juveniles, is campaigning as a pro-labor, pro-environment Democrat. He says he is filing papers to challenge Farr in the Democratic primary next March.

Locally, the candidate says he wants to put an end to the clearing land at Fort Ord by burning, which he says causes health problems.

"There are other ways of clearing land than burning everything to the ground," Grossman said. "You have a huge amount of particulate matter released into the air, causing health problems for people downwind."

Pesticide exposure is another issue at the top of Grossman's agenda. "Life expectancy

for farmer workers is 49 to 50 years," he claims. "The State of California is grossly negligent and the federal government ought to crack down on California and see that the pesticide regulations are enforced."

Farr's challenger in next year's election also supports more far-reaching campaign finance reforms including a ban on all "soft-money" — contributions funneled to candidates' campaigns through the political parties.

He also believes that any ad for a candidate should be required to disclose who paid for it. "At the bottom of the ad, it would say, this ad paid for by Bill Gates, this ad paid for by Big Oil or Philip Morris so people can see who's supporting who."

He would ultimately like to see a publicly funded election system that would provide \$1 billion a year to be split up among candidates for national office.

## Carmel to illuminate holiday tree Dec. 3

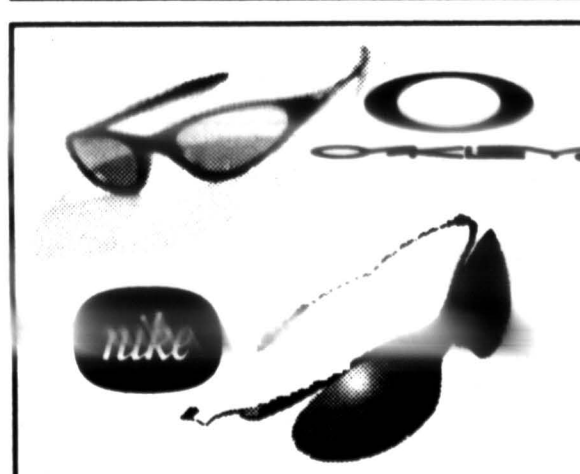
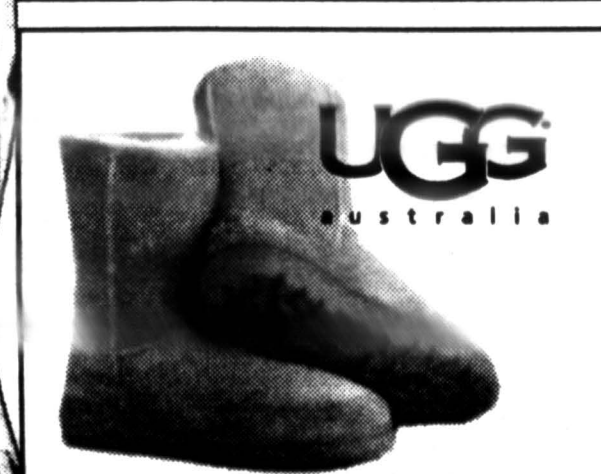
All are invited to The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea and Carmel Business Association's annual holiday tree lighting on Friday, Dec. 3.

Festivities will begin at 4 p.m. in Devendorf Park with games for the children. Santa arrives escorted by the Carmel Fire Department at 4:15 p.m.

Singers of all degrees of ability are invited to meet at 4:15 p.m. on the steps of city hall to join the Community Caroling Group. Further festivities include a performance by the Carmel Middle School Chorus and Stephen Moorer reciting "The Night Before Christmas."

Mayor Ken White will light the tree between 5 and 5:30 p.m.

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## Forest & Beach commissioner struck by car in the crosswalk

By TAMARA GRIPPI

**FOREST AND** Beach Commissioner Bob Kohn was taken by ambulance to CHOMP after being hit by a car while crossing San Carlos Avenue Nov. 20.

Kohn, who broke his upper tibia, was recovering at CHOMP Wednesday afternoon. Doctors told him he'd have to spend at least two months in a full leg cast.

The driver, Therese McNevin of Carmel, was making a left turn from Eighth Avenue onto San Carlos when she reportedly struck Kohn in the crosswalk around 3:45 p.m.

According to the police report, McNevin didn't see anyone in the crosswalk when she began her turn. Her attention was diverted momentarily and suddenly Kohn was right in front of her Lincoln sedan, the report said.

Carmel Police Officer Chris Johnson, who responded to the accident, recom-

Bob Kohn was honored by the Carmel Residents Association as citizen of the year in 1997.



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mended to the Monterey County District Attorney's office that McNevin be cited for failure to yield to a pedestrian in the crosswalk.

Kohn's close friend, Barbara Livingston, told the Pine Cone he was expected to be released from the hospital Nov. 25.

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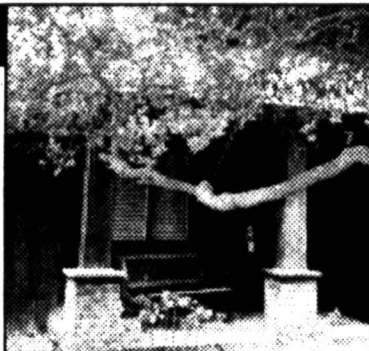
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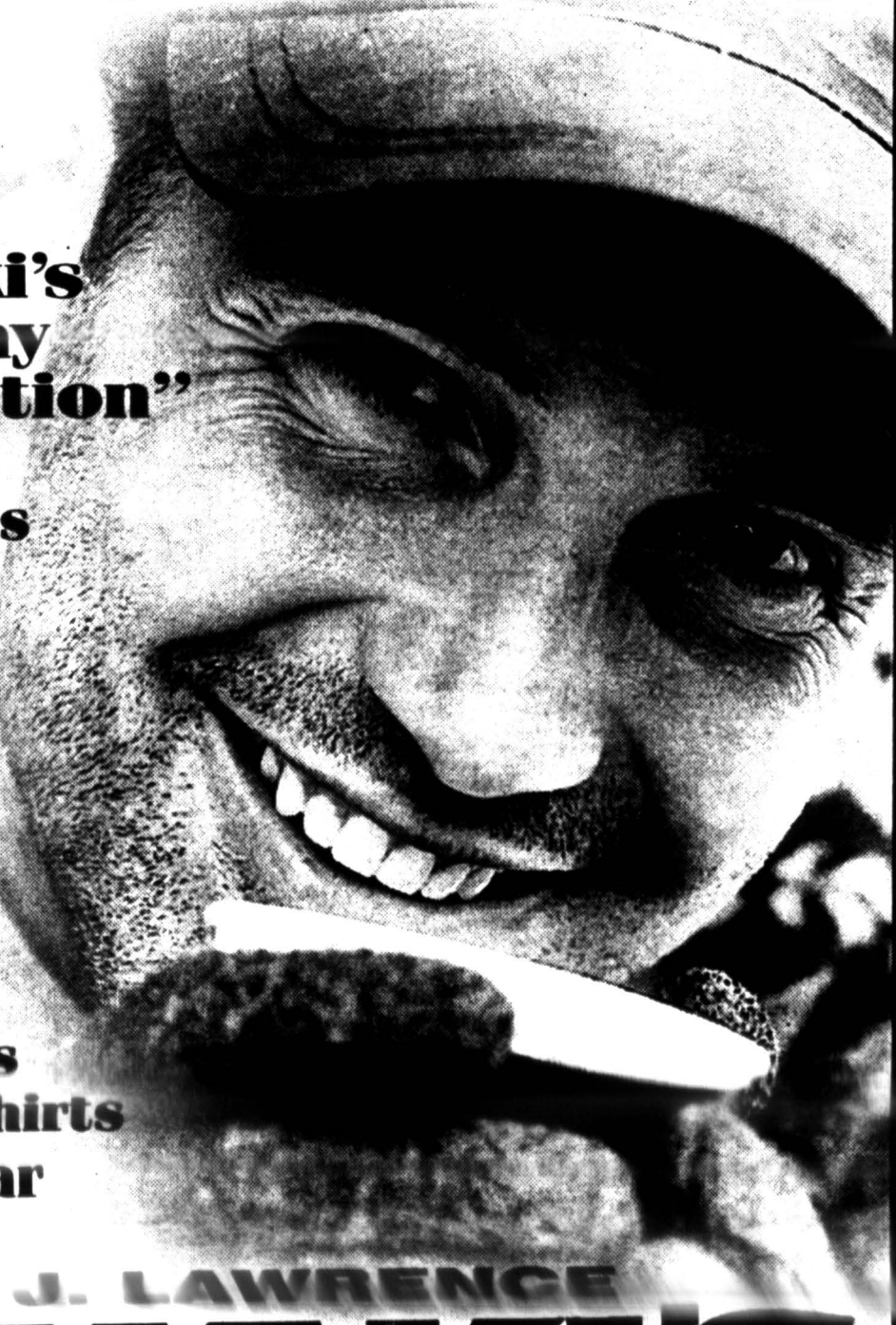


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# Police & Sheriff's Log

## Suspicious people on bench really tourists

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department last week.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a vehicle alarm at Fourth and Torres. Owner was working on his vehicle. The remote switch battery

was drained and would not deactivate the alarm. Ownership verified.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a suspicious person at Junipero and Fourth. He had been drinking. A taxi was called to take him home to Pacific Grove.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Woman reported that she was walking her dog when a dog on Lincoln came out of the shadows and barked at her. She advised that the offending dog was not

on a leash. Area checked, unable to locate.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of suspicious people on a bench at San Carlos and Seventh. They were tourists. Report unfounded.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle found parked in a public parking lot showing registration expired since 7/99 and having \$895 in unpaid parking citations. Vehicle towed and stored by Carmel Chevron.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Rental vehicle found parked completely blocking a driveway on Dolores at Third. Towed and stored by Carmel Chevron.

**Carmel Valley:** Responded to a report of a single vehicle roll-over accident on Cachagua Grade Road. The driver was determined to

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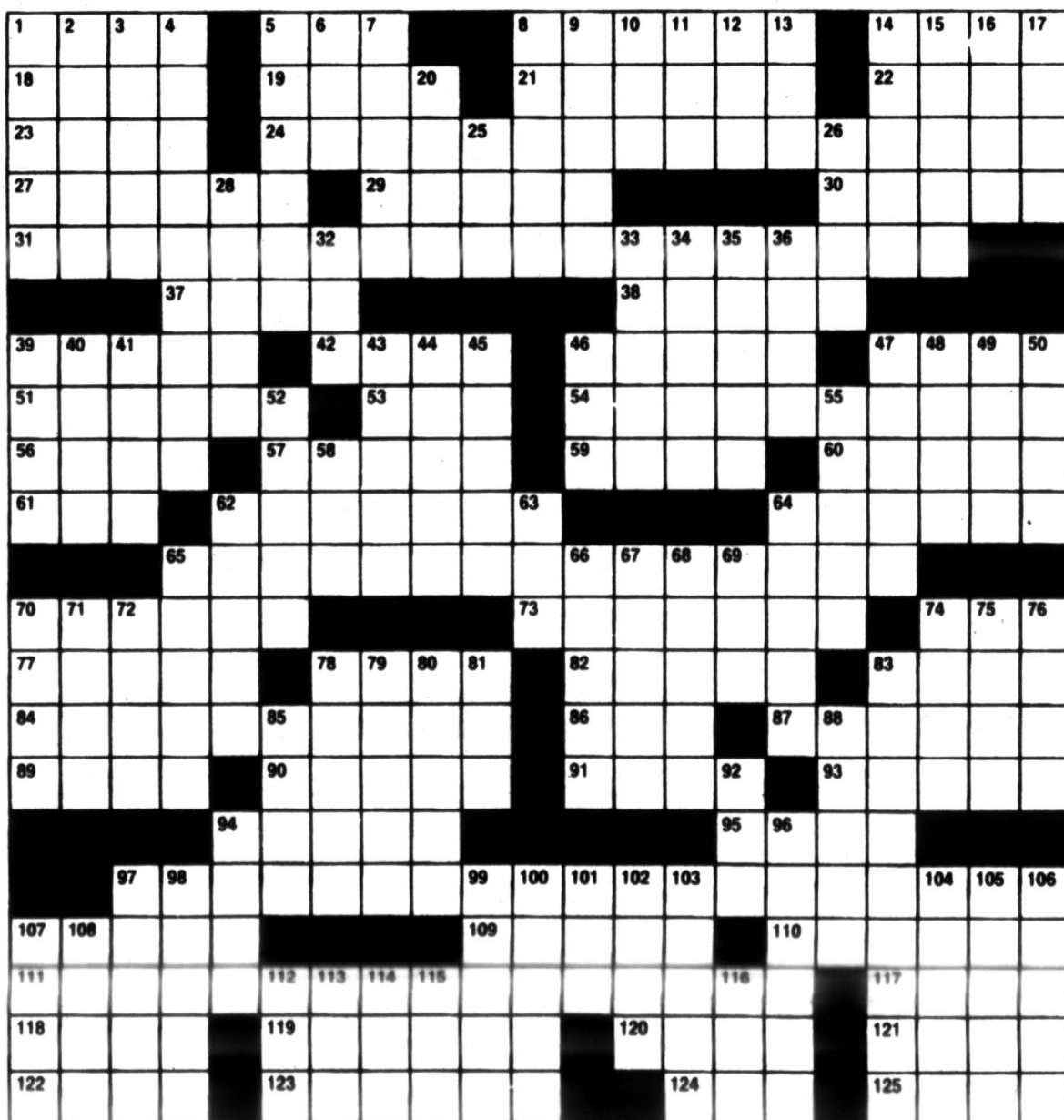
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puzzle page 20A



# High-speed chase ends with arrest on many warrants

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHAT STARTED as a routine traffic stop for speeding turned into a potentially deadly car chase through Pacific Grove and Carmel resulting in the apprehension of a suspect with more than \$40,000 in outstanding warrants.

Pacific Grove Patrol Officer Craig Mosher was in his squad car late the evening of Nov. 12 when he saw a man in a Firebird — whom he later recognized as former Carmel Valley resident John Heard — driving down the Patterson St. hill at 41 miles per hour.

"He ran a stop sign, made a right turn and then another, and slowed down," Mosher said. Then all of a sudden the driver "lit up his tires" — burned rubber — and took off, the officer said.

Heard reportedly sped through the streets of the Presidio Boulevard area of Pacific Grove in his Pontiac 350 Firebird before leading Mosher on a chase over Highway 68, heading towards Carmel.

"He was driving on the wrong side of the road at 80 to 85 miles per hour," Mosher continued. "One car coming the other way drove off the road, or there would have been a head-on collision. He didn't care who he hurt."

Mosher said Heard ran the red lights at Community Hospital and at the intersection of Highways 1 and 68 going more than 90 mph.

"I was still backing off a bit because I didn't want to cause a collision," Mosher said. "Thank God the traffic had stopped."

Mosher contacted the Monterey County Sheriff's Department and Carmel Police Department for assistance in stopping

Heard. They cornered him in the Carmel High School parking lot.

"He drove right towards some kids in the parking lot," Mosher said. Sheriff's units blocked one exit so Heard made a right turn toward the auto shop at the back of the school, according to Mosher.

"The last thing I saw was him tumbling down the hill trying to get away on foot," Mosher said. Sheriff's deputies arrested Heard at his parents' home on Garzas Road in Carmel Valley the next morning.

A female passenger in Heard's car was arrested for public intoxication and released that evening, according to Mosher. "She was scared to death," he said.

Mosher said he recognized Heard from having prior contact with him, though he did not immediately remember his name. Heard had shaved his head and was driving an out-of-state car.

"He went to Oregon to avoid a lot of warrants," he said. "He was trying to get back here and not be seen."

Heard's prior warrants — totaling \$43,500 — include driving on a suspended license, providing false information to an officer and multiple drunk driving offenses. Additional charges for evading a police officer, driving on a suspended license, resisting arrest and reckless driving have now been filed against him, according to Deputy District Attorney John Northcote.

Heard pleaded not guilty at his arraignment Nov. 24 and was scheduled for a preliminary hearing Dec. 10.

Northcote said Heard might have serious charges also pending in Oregon.

The DA's office is currently investigating whether to file additional charges.



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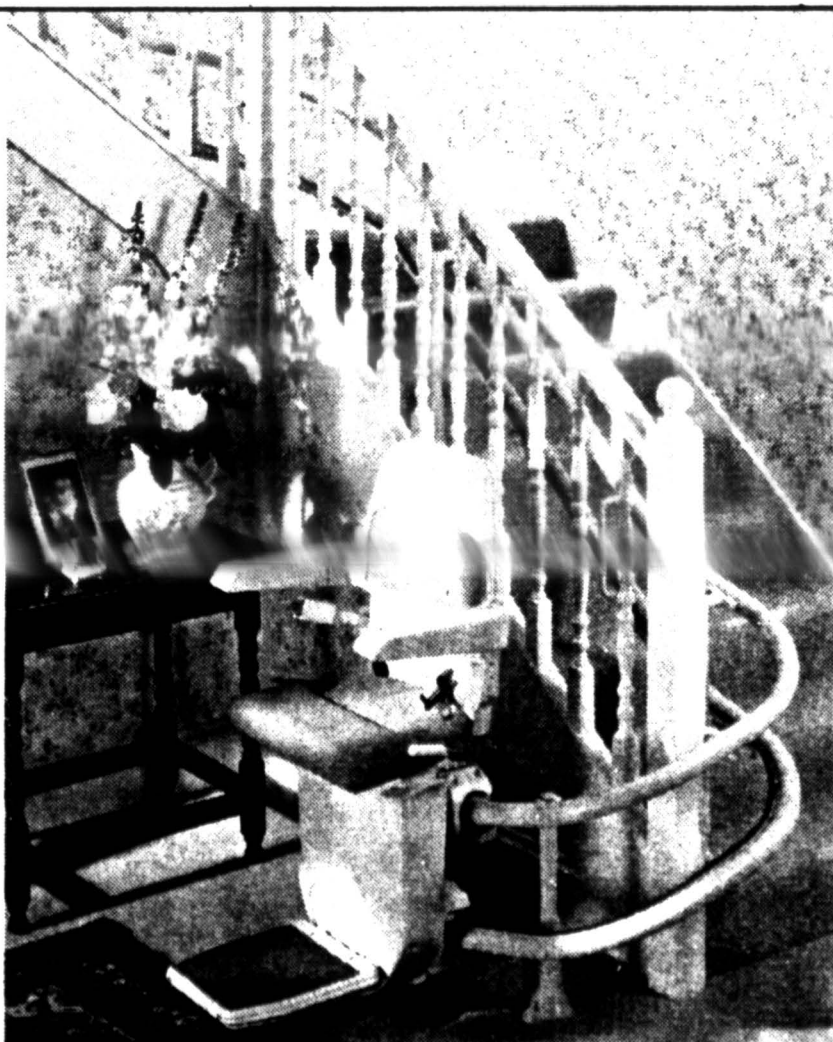


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# Humane Society official: 'Stop feeding raccoons!'

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL AND Pacific Grove officials were urged this week to step up their public education campaign to slow the overpopulation of raccoons on the Monterey Peninsula. John Hadidian, Ph.D., director of the Humane Society of the United States Urban Wildlife Program, met with officials Nov. 12 to discuss alternatives to trapping and killing the animals which have become a public health issue in Carmel and neighboring towns.

Hadidian said public education — not trapping and moving or killing the raccoons — is the best way to limit their population.

"As for relocation, we characterize that as the next-to-the-last alternative, the last being removal of the animals by killing them," he said. "We try to caution people that that's not a panacea, a solution, especially when an animal is removed without looking at the cause of the problem."

That problem is people who — deliber-

ately or inadvertently — feed raccoons, according to Hadidian.

"One of the most important components of the campaign has been raising public awareness and educating people about the animals and their activities, and placing the emphasis on not feeding them," he said. "People should not be trying to tame them or make them urban — they are wild and should remain that way."

Stephen Bailey, Ph.D., director of the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History, agreed. "The number one point we discussed is to get people to understand that feeding the raccoons is not promoting animal welfare," he said. "Hearing that from the Humane Society of the United States may carry more weight than hearing it from other officials."

Two major considerations set the Monterey Peninsula's raccoon population apart from others in the country: the prevalence of the raccoon roundworm parasite and the existence of raccoon latrines on the ground, according to Bailey.



A U.S. Humane Society official urged locals to curb the raccoon population by refusing to feed them, rather than trapping and moving or killing them.

The raccoons' fearlessness is also odd. "Hadidian said we have unusually bold, fearless raccoons here," said Bailey. "In most places, raccoons aren't as fearless, and of course we still have people feeding them, which encourages them to be fearless."

Carmel City Administrator Jere Kersnar said the meeting verified that public education is the best tool.

"He confirmed that we're doing about as well as we can," Kersnar said. "There's no single answer or magic formula. He was complimentary of our efforts to date, and was encouraging."

California Department of Fish and Game Wildlife Biologist Terry Palmisano said the

meeting showed that community agencies can and should collaborate to educate the public.

"I don't know that there's going to be a tremendous change in approach, but we'll try to work together on this, rather than each agency working on its own," she said.

"The bottom line is, you want to keep the raccoon numbers down, but you can't do that as long as people feed them and give them somewhere to live. Pacific Grove is not an island," she continued. "Unless you take care of the problem — food and water sources — then we're right back where we started. No one wants to go back. We want to move forward."

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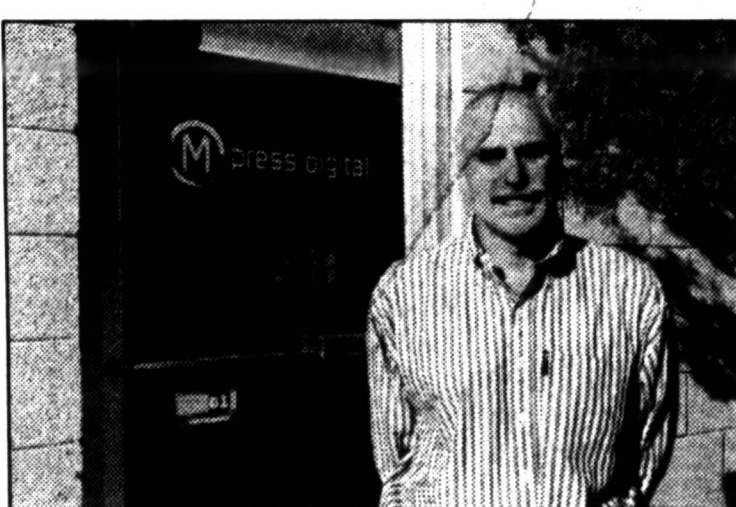
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# Cashier to be arraigned for giving himself undue credits

By MARY BROWNFIELD

FOLLOWING AN exhaustive investigation by Ann Taylor security, a part-time cashier at the Carmel Plaza store admitted to stealing thousands of dollars in the short time he worked there, according to Carmel Police Detective Sgt. Pete Poitras.

During his four months working for Ann Taylor — from July 14 to Nov. 9 — Marina resident Robert Eugene Cobb III reportedly stole more than \$5,000 by posting phony credits to his credit card.

"He removed items from the sales rack and rang them up as credits to his Visa card," Poitras said the store's investiga-

tion revealed. The manager, unknowing, would approve the credit slips at the end of Cobb's shift.

"He would then take the card to the bank and get a cash advance on his credit card," Poitras continued. In 14 transactions, Cobb racked up \$5,750.85.

When Cobb admitted the theft to Ann Taylor security, he reportedly said he needed the money for medical expenses.

Carmel police arrested Cobb Nov. 18, and he was released on \$5,000 bail. His arraignment was scheduled for Nov. 24 in Monterey County Superior Court.

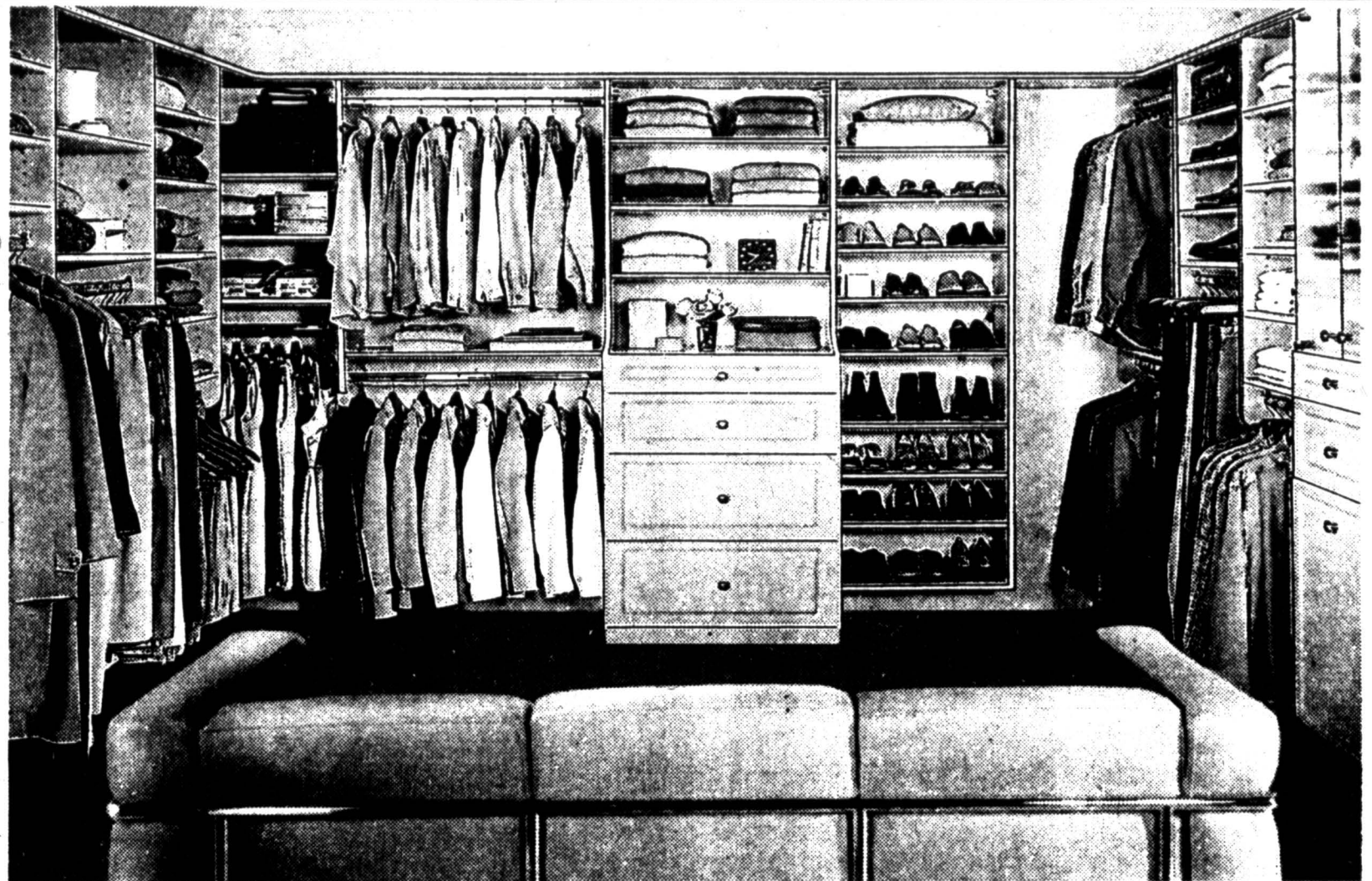
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# SAKS SUIT THIEF PLEADS GUILTY

By MARY BROWNFIELD

NICK MILETAK, the San Jose man arrested in August for his elaborate, decade-long shoplifting scheme that netted

him thousands of dollars in exchange for used suits, pleaded guilty in Monterey County Superior Court Nov. 17 to a charge of grand theft.

A similar case in Santa Clara County is still pending, according to Carmel Police Detective Sgt. Pete Poitras.

For more than a decade, Miletak allegedly made his living by returning second-hand suits to high-end clothiers for full refunds, according to Poitras, but mistakes he made at the Saks Fifth Avenue in Carmel Plaza got him caught.



Miletak

Miletak attempted to return a used Giorgio Armani suit to Saks Fifth Avenue at Carmel Plaza, was refused, and returned later with the suit and a letter from the store's New York corporate headquarters saying he was entitled to a full refund.

Miletak walked out with more than \$1,000 worth of new clothing, but the letter turned out to be a fake. Miletak evidently used the Saks letterhead and signature from another letter to create one in his favor. "So he basically stole \$1,245 from Saks," Poitras concluded.

Evidence now suggests Miletak has received much more than that from stores subjected to his ruse, police sources say. Miletak has allegedly been defrauding Saks, Nordstrom and Macy's for more than 10 years.

"It quickly became apparent that Nick Miletak is well known by Macy's, Nordstrom and Saks as a fraud refunder," Poitras said. "He was declared *persona non grata* by all three stores."

Miletak remains out of prison on \$50,000 bail. He will return to court for sentencing in front of Judge Terrence Duncan on Dec. 23.

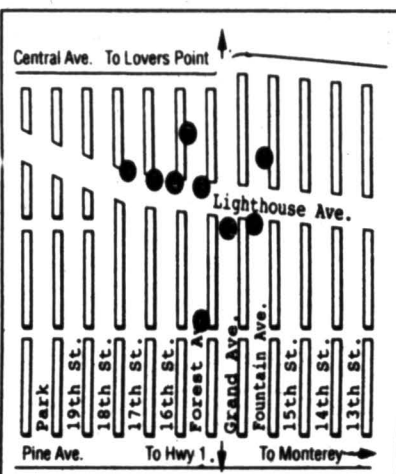
Deputy District Attorney David Alkire credited Poitras with Miletak's guilty plea. "Pete Poitras put many hours into investigating this case, and it's thanks to his efforts that we have a conviction," Alkire said.

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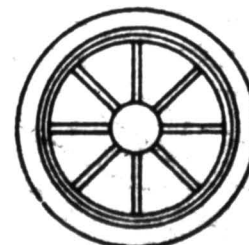


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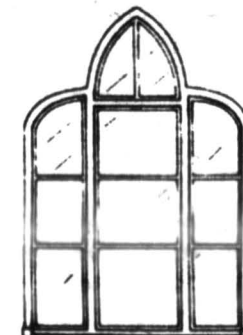
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# WATER

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according to Pinter.

"If the expiration is coming up, they need to be aware of that," Pinter said. "All of this stuff has been in the papers numerous times."

Ball — living in San Jose — did not know her water had been taken. "San Jose is 60 miles away, but we might as well be a million miles away," Ball said. "As far as I knew, we were doing our part. We were paying our property taxes."

"They say they're within their legal rights and it's our responsibility," she continued, wondering why the district was not obligated to notify her when time was running out. "One little teeny tiny hint of anything, and I would have taken care of it."

When Ball discovered her water was gone, she went to the city of Carmel to see what could be done, but the planning department told her the city's water allocations had already been distributed to other projects.

"The district has a rule that the water credits are good for 10 years, and the owners never came in to the city to ask for a commitment of water. When the city ran out of water, that parcel of land wasn't allocated any water," said Carmel City Planner Chip Rerig, who serves as the city's technical advisor on water issues. "Now they're trying to sell it, but we don't have any water to give them and obviously the water district doesn't have a pot of water sitting around to give away."

Ball responded, "They're saying they have no water to give to us. My question is, where did they put the water they took away from us?"

Carmel officials, including Rerig and City Attorney Don Freeman, met with the district to see if anything could be done, but no solutions were evident.

In 1995, the State Water Resources Control Board ordered Cal-Am to drastically cut its pumping from the Carmel River. Water experts say the goal is unreachable in the foreseeable future — and any new water supplies have to be used to offset the over pumping of the river before property owners can have a drop.

Although she said she could not speak to the specifics of Ball's case, and the district's counsel, David Laredo, could not be reached for comment, Pinter defended the district's procedure for handling unused water. "It's certainly not our goal to keep people from being able to use their properties," she said.

Ball has one more recourse before she considers taking the matter to court: She can apply for a hearing in front of the water management district board.

"Before we go before the water management board, they have to decide where we fit in," she said. "Is it a variance? Is it a hardship?"

Ball has hired a water consultant to assist her, and is discussing potential legal strategies with attorney Anthony Lombardo. She said she hopes to learn within the next few days whether or not she is entitled to a hearing.

Regardless of the outcome, Ball, who said she is "outraged at what she has learned," is now entrenched in Peninsula water politics. She said she will attend the first public meeting Dec. 6 on the alternative water solutions — billed as Plan B — being studied by the Public Utilities Commission.

"I know there are a whole bunch of people who have been caught in this web," she said. "For me, it's more than frustrating. This is our life."

## 'Liquid gold'

Ball said she was so desperate to sell the property that she was looking into purchasing water allocations from contractor Tim Mal-

lery, who received extra water credits for donating his Pescadero Canyon land to Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Ball said she heard Mallery was selling the water for \$150,000 per lot, making the potential water price tag \$300,000 for her two-lot parcel.

But Mallery denied ever discussing a price. "I don't even know where she came up with that figure," he said. "Nobody knows the answer except me, and I'm not willing to tell anybody. It might sound like I'm being extreme, but I'm not."

Although Mallery said he sympathizes with Ball's plight, he said public noticing fulfills the water management district's obligation to advise landowners when a piece of property will soon lose its water credits.

"It appears to me they just weren't staying in step with what was going on — it's fairly straightforward," he said. "There's always a public notice, and as soon as it's made public in any way, shape or form, it's the homeowner's responsibility, so she's kind of in a bind."

She is not alone in her situation — a lot of people have lost water — according to Mallery.

Mallery said he has no interest in selling his water —

although he has sold some in the past — and prefers to use the credits for his own contracting projects.

"I can utilize them better myself. Maybe if I wasn't a building contractor, I would look at it in a different light," he said. "I get three or four phone calls a week — it's like liquid gold."



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## BRYANT

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"We did the first round and she was the one," he said.

Parravano said Bryant stood out primarily because of her background in recreation and her degrees in recreation administration and human development.

And she has worked with children throughout her career. "I've been working with kids since my very first job, with the City of Monterey in the recreational summer camp program," she said. "And they've been my focus ever since."

Parravano said he is eager to turn over operations of the youth center — run by interim director Bill Brown since former director Pat Lenz resigned in September — to Bryant.

"We're going to see some changes — she will be able to bring new programs to the youth center," Parravano said. A new weight room director, Eugene Morris, was also recently hired, and the recording studio is in full swing, according to Parravano.

"We are clicking on all cylinders," Parravano said. "There will be a lot of new activities down at the youth center."

While Bryant hesitated to specifically discuss any of her new ideas, lest some of them fail to come to fruition, she said she has many thoughts for making the youth center better.

"I have a lot of ideas. I really want it to become

a center for the kids and to get a lot of input from the youth, so it's youth driven," she said. "I want to work with the school district and other local organizations so that everybody feels like it's their youth center."

And without the constraints of municipal government, Bryant's enthusiasm for revitalizing the youth center should shine through.

"In municipal government there are always so many things that dictate what you can and cannot do," she said. "The lack of bureaucracy at the Carmel Youth Center means the opportunities are almost endless. As long as we're doing things for the kids, we can't go wrong."



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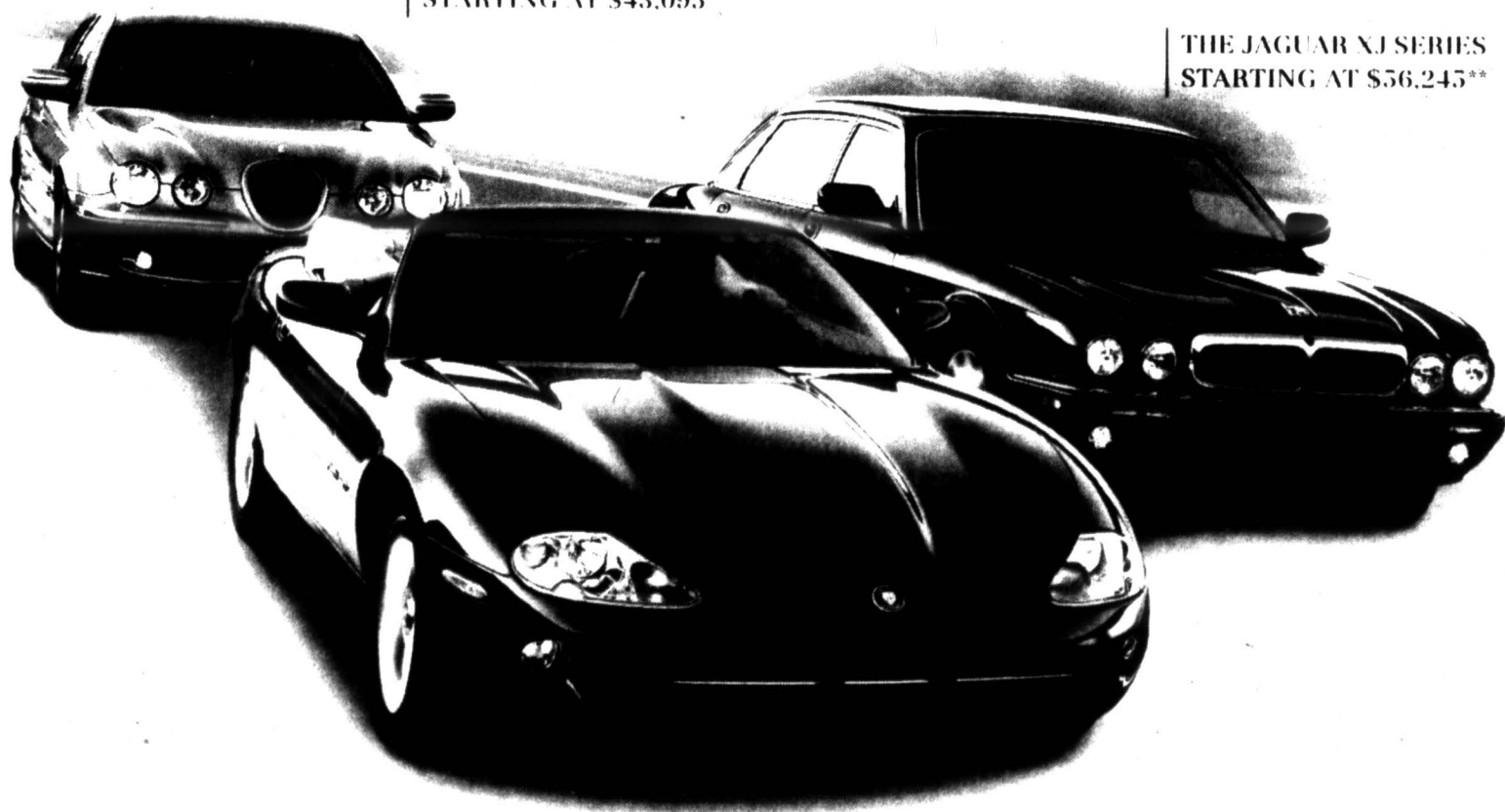
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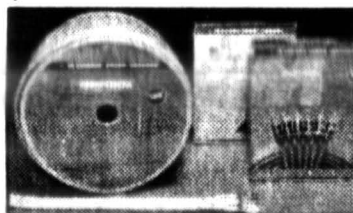
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## Milestones

The life of **LILLIAN BAKER WOODWARD** will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Dec. 4 with a memorial at Hacienda Carmel. Mrs. Woodward died Nov. 16 at the age of 95, having just returned from a family wedding in Beverly Hills.

For almost five decades, Mrs. Woodward chronicled the lives of the inhabitants of Moss Landing in a column that appeared weekly in three local newspapers.



Lillian Woodward

Known to generations of fishermen and thousands of newspaper readers as the "lady on the dock," she was also the marine gasoline distributor at Moss Landing following the death of her husband, Donald, in 1962. Mrs. Woodward was honored by the Moss Landing Chamber of Commerce at its business person of the year. Among other honors, she was awarded the Laura Bride Powers Award in 1997.

Mrs. Woodward was born Jan. 17, 1904, in Seattle. It was while attending the University of Oregon that she met her future husband, a fellow journalism student. They were married in 1926.

For more than 70 years, Mrs. Woodward was a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority. In addition, she was also affiliated with the Hacienda Garden Club, Carmel Foundation and the Elkhorn Slough Foundation.

Survivors include her sons, Richard, who now owns Woodward Marine, and Donald; her daughter, Virginia W. Stone; 10 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and two sisters, Katherine Stanley and Josephine Cornutt.

Memorials are suggested to the Carmel Public Library Foundation, the Moss Landing Commercial Fishermen's Association or the Elkhorn Slough Foundation.

**C. CHANDLER SMITH** of Carmel died Nov. 19 at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. He was 90.

A public accountant, Mr. Smith was an avid outdoorsman, pilot, bridge player and musician.



C. Chandler Smith

He was an active member of Monterey Masonic Lodge No. 217, Carmel Associated Sportsmen Gun Club, Monterey Bridge Club and at one time played viola with the Monterey Symphony.

Mr. Smith is survived by two sons, Stan Smith of Oakland and Jim MacAllister of Paso Robles; a daughter, Nancy Scardina of San Jose and three grandchildren.

A gathering in his honor will be held at the Monterey Bridge Club, 530 Ramona Ave., from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 28.

Carmel resident **RUTH FRASIER**, dean of students at the Monterey Institute of International Studies from 1980 until her retirement in 1987, died Nov. 15.

Mrs. Frasier joined the faculty of M.I.I.S. in 1975 to head the Education Department. She was a mentor and lifelong friend to many of her students and played a key role in guiding the school to international recognition.

Prior to joining M.I.I.S., Mrs. Frasier worked at the center for "Follow Through" and "Head Start" at the University of Arizona, San Diego State College and at the Agnes Russel School at

Teachers College, Columbia University.

She was a graduate of the University of Washington and received her master's degree from Stanford University. In 1994 she was made professor emerita by M.I.I.S.

She is survived by her son, Clark Frasier. Mrs. Frasier was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Vance Frasier, and by her brother, Paul Rozell.

A gathering in her memory will begin at 2 p.m. on Jan. 15 at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula.

Donations can be made to the M.I.I.S. Scholarship Fund or the Carmel Children's Library Foundation.



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## Sandy Claws

by Margot Petit Nichols

GUSSIE SEVERSON (right), 11 1/2, is Rose Severson's great aunt. Rose is only 18 months old, which accounts for her neophyte appearance in contrast to Gussie's soigné sophistication.

Every day but Tuesday their mom, Mary, drives them in from Carmel Valley for a Carmel Beach romp, at which time Gussie plays with her optic yellow tennis ball, and Rose collects sticks.

While anything that belongs to Rose is of interest to Gussie, she keeps her tennis ball as her own personal treasure — not lending it out to others (secretly fearing it won't be given back). Rose is obsessed with sticks and rocks and makes collections of both unrivaled in this area. While she loves to chase sticks thrown for her at the beach, her fetching is a bit iffy. At home, she spends her afternoons collecting rocks, which she lines up neatly on the back steps before



calling Mom to come and praise her latest assortment.

As well as chicken and beef dishes, Gussie and Rose must eat half a cup of vegetables daily — Doctor's orders — and while Rose adores Italian cut green beans, she and Gussie have suddenly developed a seasonal crush on tinned pumpkin.

When we interviewed all three Seversons Wednesday, we learned they were looking forward to a Thanksgiving visit by Woodside cousins Eldon and Bess Cook-Randal — golden retriever and Doberman, respectively — who will travel over the river and through the woods to Aunt Mary's for turkey and pumpkin pie.

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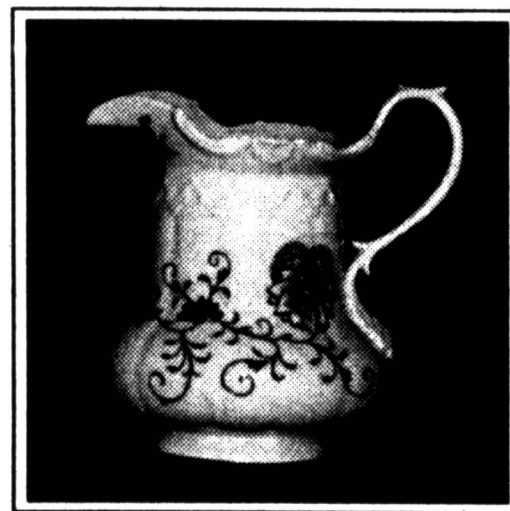


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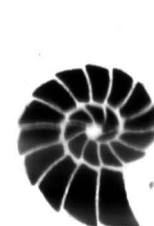
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Hatton Vandervort (hiding Patrick Minerva and Erin Embry), Alicia Moore, teacher Patrick Allan, and Catarino Valdez inspect the tan on the turkey.

## FEAST

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ble for following the recipes, were able to learn about math, science and history in the process.

They had to follow a formula to figure out how many minutes per pound they needed to cook the turkey, Allan explained.

"It still needs a tan, Mr. Allan," said Catarino Valdez during one of the first inspections of the bird.

The young culinarians were also able to take a peek at the menu from the first Thanksgiving dinner held in 1798: oysters in the shells, beet salad, boiled sturgeon, venison stew, spit roasted turkey, Indian bread stuffing, corn in the husks, pumpkin pie and mince pie.

Paul McEnroe was inspired to create "exactly the same meal" for his family this year. "But I don't know if I can pull it off," he said.

By the time Allan's class held hands around the table and wished for a good harvest and millennium, the faces glowed with the satisfaction that only hard work can bring.

"It's better doing it than just learning about it," said Steffanie Cruz.

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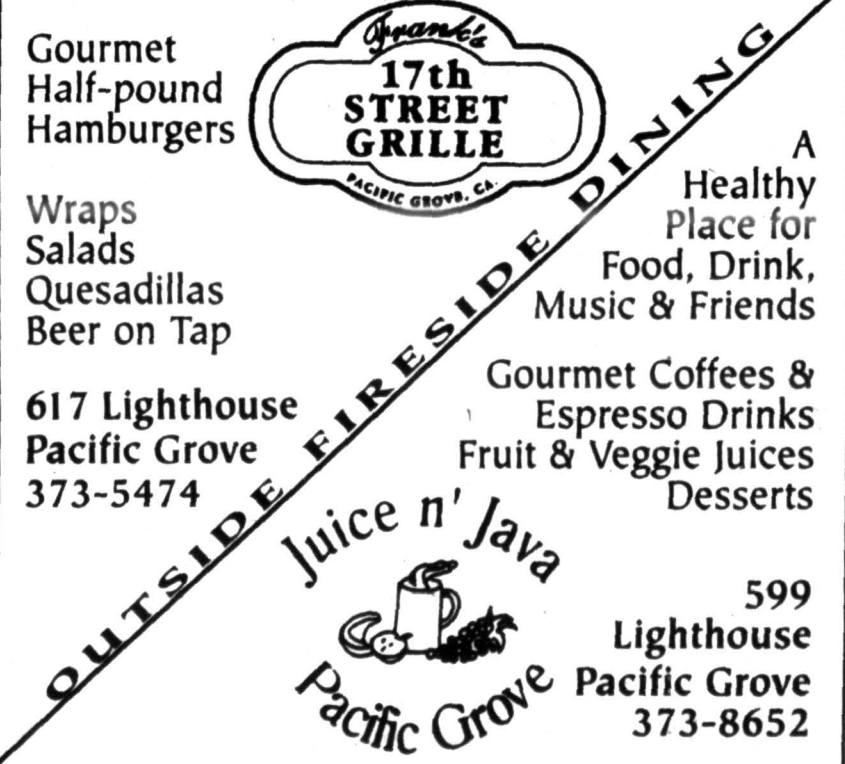
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# Look out! Here she comes again – but with all due respect

SEVERAL WEEKS ago I suggested that it's possible to say almost anything, get into anybody's face, let fly with what might be considered "attitude" if you simply start with

the phrase, "With all due respect..." In that column I took on a few sacred cows, local and otherwise. Encouraged by several readers and friends (who don't mind if I get into trouble as long as they don't), I herewith offer the second installment.

■ *With all due respect*, I'm wondering why in many grocery stores apples, oranges, tomatoes and other produce are now being stacked in a pyramid. If you want the apple, fourth row from the top, you risk the whole construction tumbling to the floor.

■ *With all due respect*, I'd like to suggest that when it comes to secrets, Victoria has none. The current TV advertising blitz of Victoria's Secret has moved into the realm of soft porn, the camera zooming in tighter than Scarlett O'Hara's corselet! In some shots we don't even see the model's face, just a pair

of 36Ds taking up the entire television screen. And while we're on the subject, when did it become "fashionable" to have one's bra straps protruding from sleeve or neckline? When I was a teen (and I leave it to you to guess the year), a girl would have died from embarrassment to have any part of her underwear showing.

■ *With all due respect*, if the City of Carmel cries poor-mouth one more time, I think we should look into developing a "Sister City" in Mexico to help us out.

■ *With all due respect*, why would a local dining magazine feature pages of mouth-watering recipes and pictures of food, then note that the recipe is "Not shown in photo"? Too cheap to buy new photographs?

■ *With all due respect*, is it unreasonable to ask the Ross store in Sand City to have more than one cashier on duty at 10:30 a.m. on a Wednesday when 12 people are standing in line?

■ *With all due respect*, why would one neighbor blow all his or her pine needles across the street into another neighbor's yard? Which reminds me: I saw a gardener trying to blow wet pine needles from a motel driveway just after a rain. Talk about a "full employment" plan!

■ *With all due respect*, I find it hard to believe that some people are still hosing down their gutters when water rationing is being threatened.

■ *With all due respect*, I know that no newspaper is perfect, but the Herald's weather prediction on November 8th of "scattered shatters" is one of the more amusing.

■ *With all due respect*, I have NO respect for the Georgia woman who, when warned last week at Lovers Point to stay off the rocks because of dangerously high waves, said, "If that's the way I'm going to die, that's the way it is."

■ *With all due respect*, I understand that Prince Charles and Camilla Parker Bowles plan to ring in the new millennium at Gloucestershire with a BYOB party. (For those who don't remember their youth, that's Bring Your Own Bottle.) Perhaps Gloucestershire might also consider being adopted by a Sister City in Mexico.

■ And finally, *with all due respect*, isn't it pathetic that those of us who wish to make the short flight from Monterey to Orange County must change planes at either LAX, San Jose or SFO. We can, however, hop an American West Express plane and fly non-stop to Phoenix. Now, if I could just get my sister to move to Phoenix.

Well, you get the idea. If you've a comment you'd like to offer "with all due respect," drop me a line at P. O. Box 4402, Carmel, CA 93921-4402, or email me at BevWrite@aol.com.



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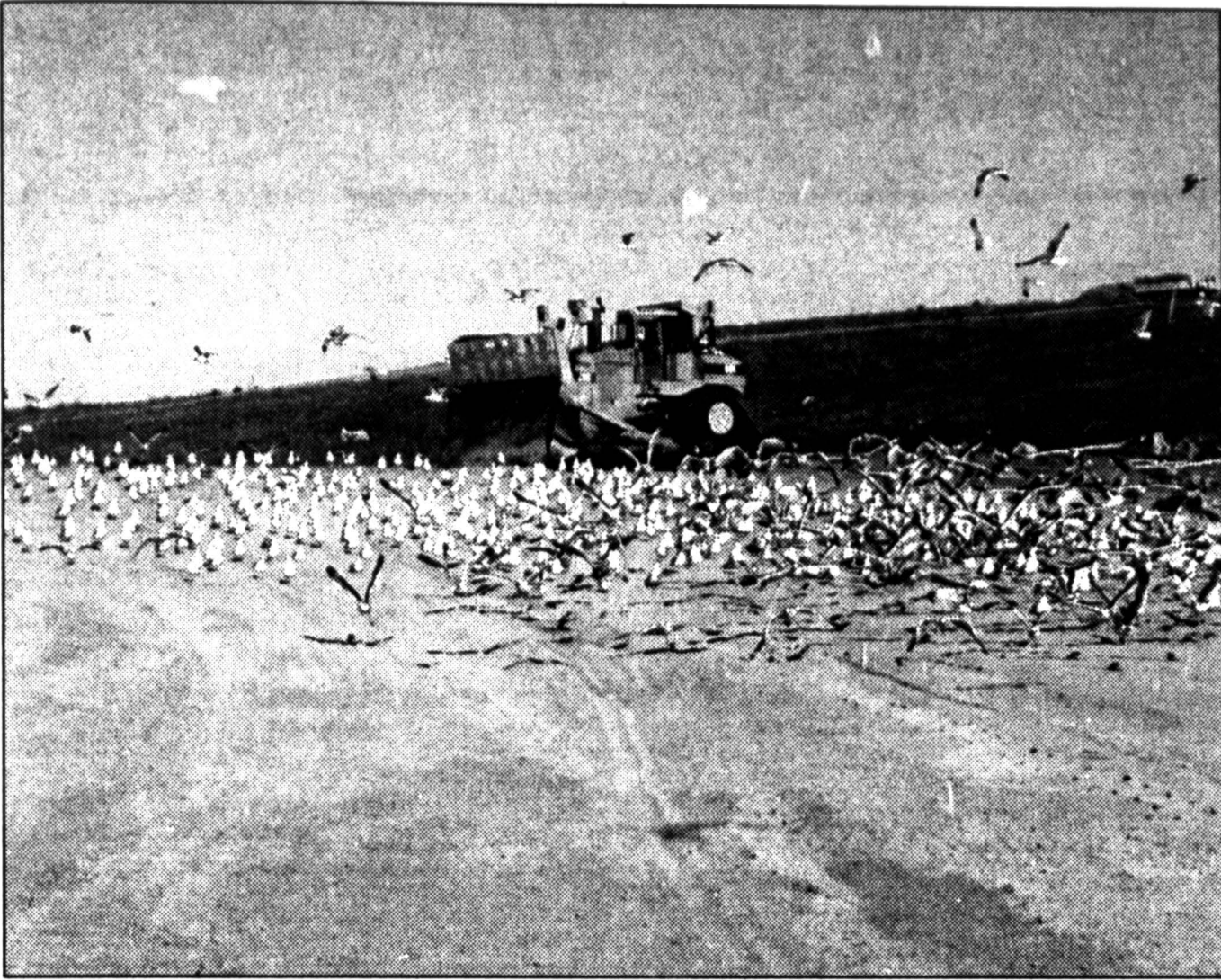
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Doing their part to increase methane production at the landfill, thousands of seagulls rest between meals. Excellent recyclers, the seagulls intrigue visitors with their curious habit of facing, *en masse*, in the same direction.

Trivia buffs take note: The film *Jonathan Livingston Seagull* was filmed at the Marina dump. "There is excellent bird watching at the landfill," says a not-kidding city councilmember Sue McCloud, Carmel's representative on the waste management board.

## DUMP

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Manager David Myers. And that's in addition to \$170,000 worth of electricity used to power everything at the "environmental park" — the offices, the huge recycling operation, the compost shredders and The Last Chance Mercantile store.

The landfill gas system includes 31 horizontal and vertical gas wells sunk throughout 85 acres of buried trash. Because wet garbage breaks down and produces methane faster than dry garbage, the landfill uses a "leachate recovery" system to collect the liquid at the bottom of the pile and spray it on the top. Some of the trash has been entombed for 30 years and still produces plenty of methane for harvest, a fact that surprised even the experts.

"We were told at the beginning that the gas production would hit a peak after the closure of each section and then drop off after about 10 years," Myers said. "But we're still getting good gas production out of garbage dumped in 1966."

The methane-to-electricity system was boosted substantially in 1999 when the waste management district brought two Austrian-made Jenbacher landfill gas engines on line. The green behemoths — \$500,000 apiece and the first installed at a landfill in the

United States — rumble 24 hours a day to create a continuous, 1,000-kilowatt stream of "green power." They are running tests now to see if there is enough unused methane in the landfill to justify the purchase of a third Jenbacher engine.

Only a small percentage of American dumps are using this technology, according to Myers.

"The majority of the landfills around the country are uncontrolled; the gas is wasted," he said. "Only a couple hundred out of thousands have active electrical projects, which reduce greenhouse emissions and global warming."

Myers said most of the projects that have been installed in the past 20 years have worked economically because of tax credits, which expired this year. Without continued government incentives, or much higher electricity prices, the Marina model probably won't be duplicated elsewhere, he said.

### Space for garbage in 2095

As other communities around the country wring their collective hands over where to put their garbage in the next decade, the people of the Monterey Peninsula have no such worries. Because of good planning and an excellent record of recycling and waste diversion, the Marina "environmental park" has extended its life dramatically.

"When I came here 20 years ago, the landfill had a projected life of only 40 years," Myers said. "Now we expect the site to be more than adequate for 90 to 100 more years." And maybe forever. Myers explained that the "young science" of recycling is continually innovating.

"We are experimenting with asphalt shingle reuse now, and are just starting to separate a kind of nylon carpeting that can be recycled."

"Landfill mining" is way down the road," he added, "but theoretically we could go back to Module 1 [the oldest garbage on site], dig it up, sift out the metal, rebury the stuff that needs to go back, save some dirt for cover and just start over."

Perfecting the ultimate recycling project — that is, reusing the entire dump — would solve one of the thorniest problems cities face, especially in the crowded Eastern U.S. Because no matter what you call it — a dump or an "environmental park" — nobody really wants a new one built in the neighborhood.



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# Carmel Valley

## Middle school kids build 150 new homes for local feathered friends

By TAMARA GRIPII

AS PART of their study of California native birds, Carmel Middle School students are making a major effort to ensure that species such as woodpeckers and blue birds remain native to Carmel Valley.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, the students will set out 150 bird nesting boxes throughout the middle school's new science habitat and Rancho Cañada golf course. The children made the rectangular pine boxes for 14 species of native birds that require a protected space to nest.

Wrens, Western blue birds, tree swallows, violet green swallows, chickadees, American kestrels and woodpeckers are some of the feathered friends that will benefit from the nesting boxes, said Craig Hohenberger, the Carmel Middle School teacher who spearheaded the project.

These birds declined when the trees, which formerly provided nesting cavities, were cut down. The California sycamore — a tree that hosts numerous birds in riparian areas — is a threatened species, Hohenberger said. In addition, native birds have to contend with European starlings, a tenacious specie that pushes native birds out of their own nests.

The boxes — which were sponsored by Rancho Cañada — will be placed on posts or in trees at various heights based on the preferences of the different birds.

Next spring the students will begin a study of the nesting birds, determining how many boxes have been utilized and the success rate of birds that took up residence in the pint-sized abodes.

"The kids will be involved in scientific research," Hohenberger said. "This is a great conservation project. It's easy entertainment for people; it's free and it gets us back to our roots."

Officials at Rancho Cañada who have been involved in Audubon sanctuary programs for several years were delighted to participate in the project.

Bob Costa, vice president in charge of golf course management, said he hopes to use the information from the students' research to set up educational stations at the golf course and produce brochures.

"We want to educate our customers, enhance their experience and provide students with the opportunity to learn,"



PHOTO/TAMARA GRIPII

Carmel Middle School science teacher Craig Hohenberger sets up a bird nesting house designed for wrens and chickadees in the school's new science habitat.

Costa said.

### Hands-on learning

The native bird nesting project is only one of numerous educational projects that will be offered at the middle school's 10-acre science habitat.

The major work on the habitat is already underway. Hohenberger dreamed up the project several years ago as a way to provide hands-on science education for the middle schoolers.

With the help of \$150,000 in grants and contributions, the middle school is well on its way to completing an interactive habitat which will be planted with native grasses, trees and shrubs.

The bird banding lab is already set up and the school is hooking up irrigation to the greenhouse. Work is also under way on two outdoor ponds and a new amphitheater for classes.

A portable building that the school moved from Fort Ord will be used as a classroom and museum.

Ultimately, Hohenberger hopes that the habitat will feature a live-in docent — a college intern who will maintain

the plant population and the greenhouse and teach students.

The middle school students will be able to begin planting native grasses, trees and shrubs such as toyon, coffee berry and buckwheat just as soon as the soil is ready. "The buckwheat will attract a lot of native butterflies," Hohenberger said.

Native trees — including a variety of oaks, Monterey pines, sycamores, willows, and alders — will also soon be admired on the site. If habitat restoration is done correctly, Hohenberger believes that native animals will also return. The native grasses should attract small mammals such as meadow mice and voles, which may in turn attract some of the majestic birds.

For instance, numerous white tail kites were spotted near the Carmel River after there was a population explosion of voles, Hohenberger said.

Students will also be responsible for planting organic vegetable gardens at the habitat.

"We want to allow kids to experience outdoors on a daily basis," Hohenberger said.

## Christmas tree to be illuminated in Carmel Valley Village

THE EIGHTH annual Carmel Valley Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place Saturday, Dec. 4 in the Carmel Valley Community Park, located on Ford Road off Carmel Valley Road in the village.

Festivities begin at 4 p.m., and will include live entertainment featuring local school children. Indulge in fresh coffee, hot cider and Christmas cookies as well. And come find out who will have the honor of lighting the tree this year.

The Community Christmas Tree and accompanying light display will be illuminated at 5 p.m.

If it rains, the ceremony will take place the following day.

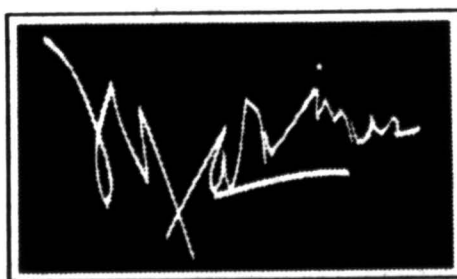
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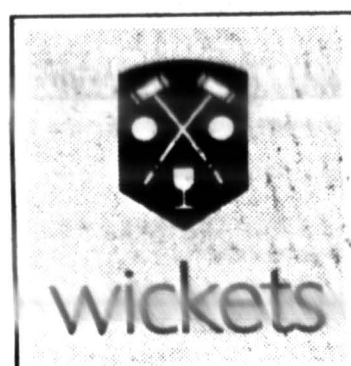


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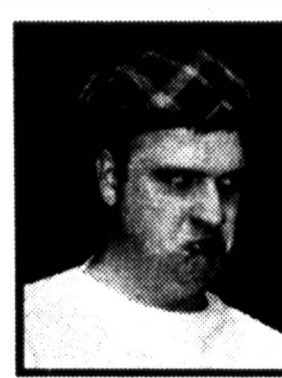
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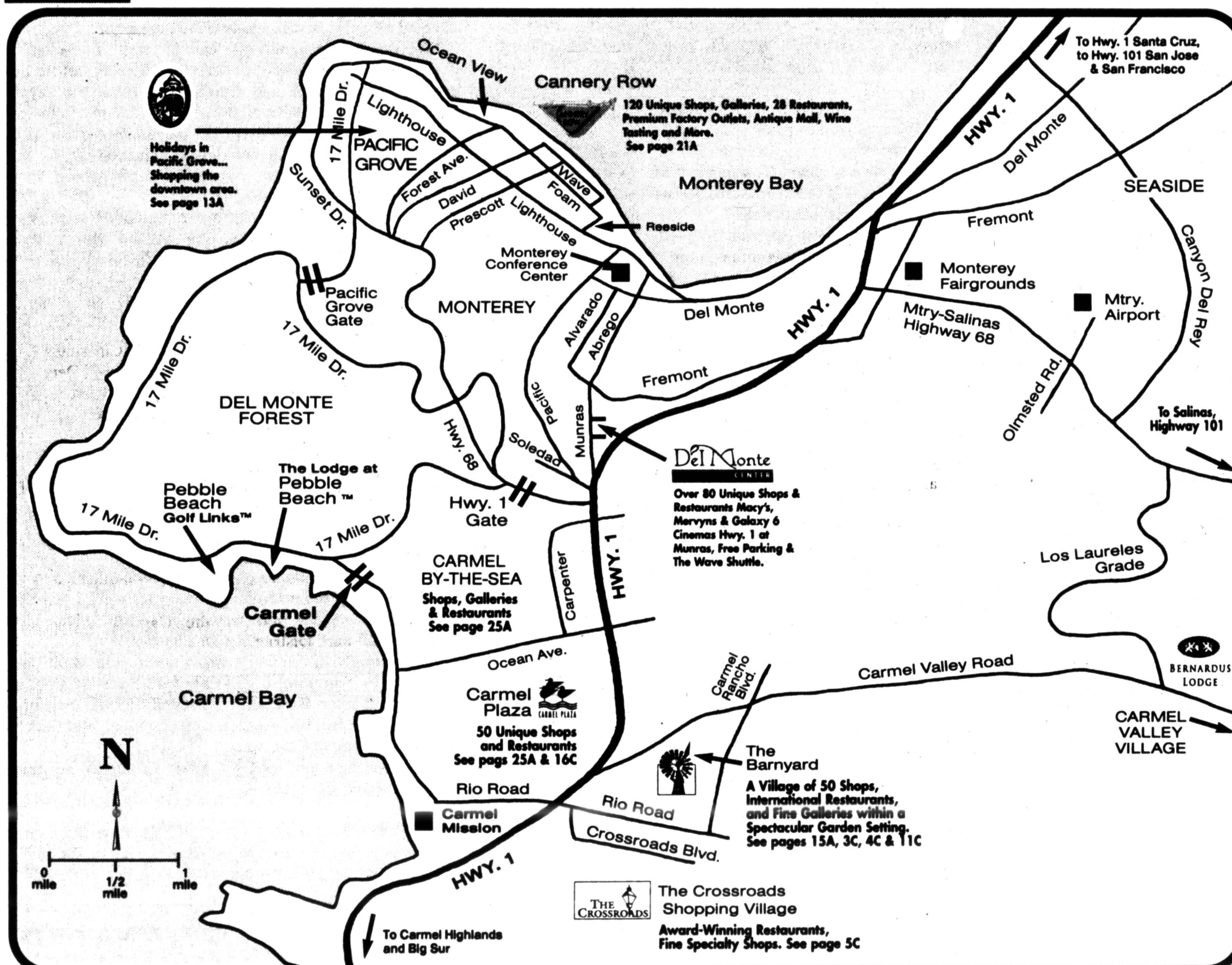
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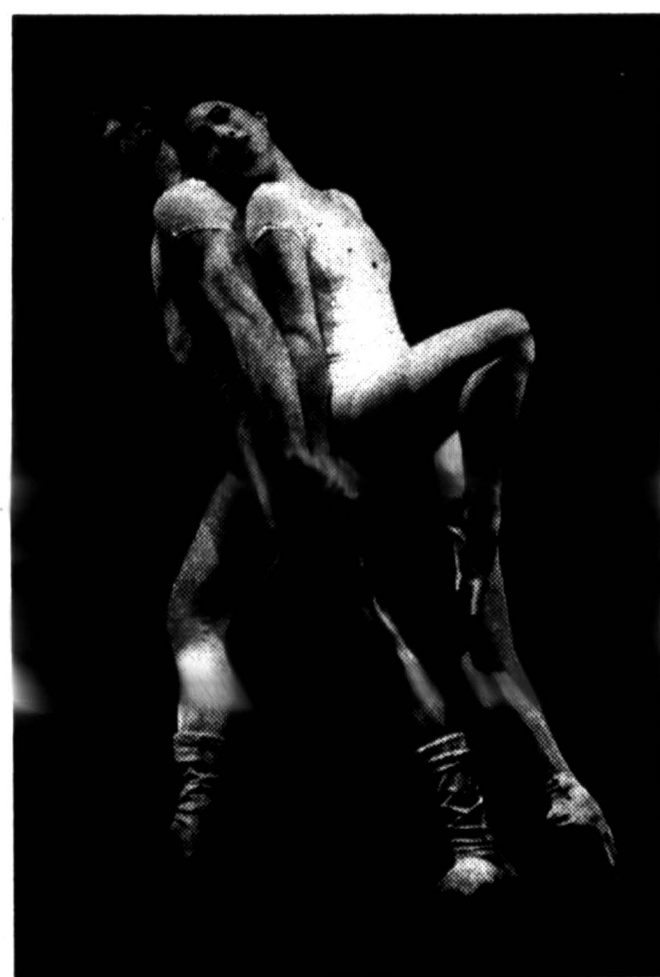
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Smuin Ballets/SF: Dalyn Chew and Lee Bell are members of the Smuin chamber group who will perform in "A Christmas Evening" Dec. 4 and 5 at Santa Catalina School's Performing Arts Center.

## 'ENORMOUS GOOD FUN' PROMISED FOR HOLIDAY BALLET

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

A CHRISTMAS EVENING by Smuin Ballet will be presented at two matinees and one evening performance Dec. 4 and 5 at the Santa Catalina School Performing Arts Center.

This will be the second "Bravissima 2000" presentation in the Carmel Bach Festival's winter/spring performance series. Matinees will begin at 2 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 4 and 5, and the evening performance at 8 o'clock on Saturday, Dec. 4. Tickets are \$30 by reserved seating.

Smuin Ballets/SF was founded in 1994 by choreographer Michael Smuin, formerly director of the San Francisco Ballet, and winner of several Emmy Awards and a Tony Award.

The Christmas evening ballet is described as both solemn and joyous and "enormous good fun," and the chamber group of 12 dancers who perform it have been lauded for their "miraculous movement."

Choreography has been created to selections from Bach's "Well Tempered Clavier," and "Christmas Oratorio," Corelli's "Christmas Cantata" and other Baroque pieces.

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Spotted at the National Philanthropy luncheon: top, from left: Beverley Ambort, Ann Brown and Morwen Di Mercurio. At right: impressive gathering of past presidents of Soroptimists, clockwise from top left: Yvonne McBride, Duayne Ostergard, Lee Chamberlin, Ericka Engelman, Demi Briscoe, Leslie Bruhn, Judy Lofink, Penny Morris and Kristina Evans.



## NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY DAY BRINGS BIG CROWD TO SPANISH BAY

*THE TIME is coming. I have officially told my publisher that I will surrender as of the millennium and begin using a digital camera.*



### People and Places

By Sissi Maleki

*I have resisted long and hard. A year, in fact. But, I had ulterior motives in resisting. You see, I knew the longer I held out, the more features would be added to the digital models. Features essential in my quest to minimize mundane chores.*

*After all, just by dealing with digital images I'll be spared the time-consuming errand of dropping off and picking up my film from Carmel Camera. (Though I will miss the staff.)*

*So why not expect more bells & whistles? I want this new gizmo to dictate my column to me — no,*

*actually, dictate it directly into my PC — and send it straight to my editor.*

*I want it to record my voice when I tell it about each to-do item and then give the robotic housekeeper its orders. (I don't quite have the robot yet, but I'm workin' on it.)*

*I want it to remind me when my official column deadline approaches, when my deadline is here, when my deadline passes but I can still make the do-or-die deadline and when I should really pack up and quit.*

*I'm greedy. I want it all. In a little bundle of electronics.*

**Have a news tip, a party anecdote, an event announcement for Sissi? Call her at 625-6563 or e-mail Sissi@astrum3.com**

*Of course, given my track record, it'll probably have a screen pop up, when I click the shutter, that says, "Tough luck, cookie — I'm on union break!"*

**WHAT MAKES** an individual become a philanthropist? What moves him or her?

For this year's winner of Philanthropist of the Year award, **Lloyd Morain**, "It was just natural."

On Nov. 16th at Spanish Bay, 420 gathered to honor an awesome group of individuals.

But there was a touch of sadness that went with the top award. For it had been awarded to *both* Lloyd and his wife Mary. And she had passed away suddenly just this past June.

It was absolutely heartbreaking to see Lloyd holding back tears as he accepted the award. Then, struggling to speak to the crowd, he was so overcome with emotion that he gave up and descended to his seat.

I may be a softie, but even a statue would've gotten a lump in the throat watching this.

Prior to the presentation, Lloyd Morain sounded so very matter-of-fact about his and his wife's commitment to humanism.

"We weren't acquisitive-minded," he explained, continuing: "we were devoted to initiating support for groups and people not supported."

With some encouragement, he talked about how he and Mary first met, back in 1938 in Hollywood. She had come to give a lecture which he attended, and being new in town,

accepted his offer to take her back to her hotel.

"We knew immediately we had the same interests," he recalled. But it would take another seven years before they got married. (WW II and finishing up with the service delayed things.) And the rest is history.

From then on followed a life filled with humanistic achievement on both coasts, wherever he happened to be working.

As for one of the other stars of the luncheon, the **Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop**, accolades seem to be coming these days fast and furious, though they, too, seem so matter-of-fact about their million-dollar-plus total donations to date benefiting the poor, the needy, the children...

A top award was also given to the **Community Foundation of the Monterey Peninsula**.

How inspiring this annual event is!



Donna Kneeland, co-chair of the Philanthropy luncheon, presents the Philanthropist of the Year Award to Lloyd Morain.

### ■ Soroptimists gather extended family

The Soroptimists International of Carmel Bay took the opportunity to salute past presidents and charter members Nov. 17th at a Rancho Cañada luncheon.

It was a merry crowd catching up on each other's news, in addition to being relieved that the previous week's fundraising golf clinic was the usual smashing success. (Participants come from all over the country for that one!)

One highlight of the lunch was a spectacular multi-level cake made by Soroptimist **Vicki Stewart Spranza's** daughter-in-law's mother, **Rosemary Leonard**. (How's that for an I.D.!) But don't feel bad — she's a professional, and runs her own place, Creative Cakeries.

**Sallie Smith** made a heroic effort to attend the lunch, given her recent leg operation.

Charter member **Lee Chamberlin** admitted she's been trying to slow down a bit. "You wouldn't believe the number of invitations one gets for the holidays... it's ridiculous!"

Well, Lee, that's what you get for being that popular!

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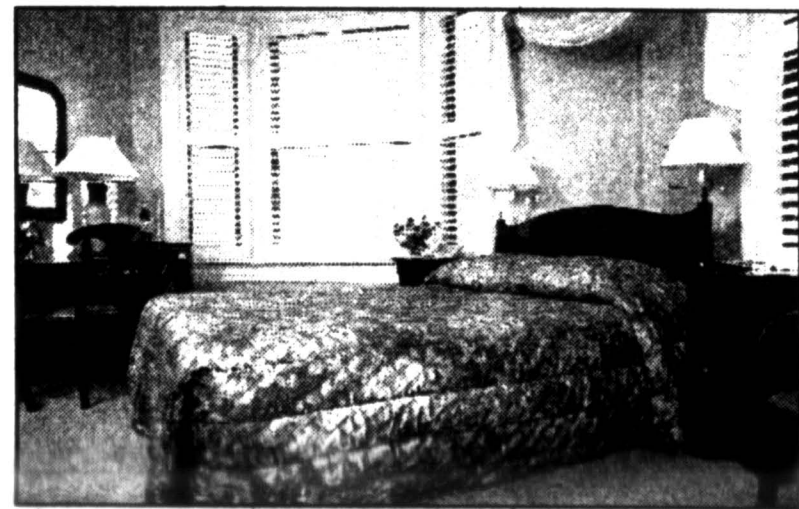
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## Carmel artist honored at 91

# Geza Saint-Gály's life has been a mosaic of adventure, scholarship and art

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

EVERY YEAR on his birthday, Oct. 4, artist Geza Saint-Gály creates a new tile, dedicated to one who shares his birthday — Saint Francis of Assisi. This year, he's running a little late.

Still working on a three-tile painted depiction of the saint when we visited him in his Carmel-by-the-Sea studio, Saint-Gály, just turned 91, took time out from his project to show us about the Perry Newberry cottage that also became his studio when he moved from his downtown atelier in 1985.

Transylvanian-born Saint-Gály, who took a degree in architecture and humanities at the Archduke Joseph University in Budapest in 1933, added on to the little cottage, using his own architectural plans to create his current large, airy studio with northern light, and a kiln room where he personally fires his sought-after tiles.

Although Saint-Gály also holds a doctorate in law and political science from Franz Joseph University in Szeged in Southern Hungary, his life's work has been in art. From the Academy of Art in Budapest, he became enamored of ceramics and the graphic arts. His Byzantine frescoes and mosaics and painted tiles now adorn churches, temples, universities and civic buildings across the United States, and his home and studios here have been visited by luminaries from around the world. (British historian Arnold Toynbee once stayed as an honored guest of Saint-Gály for three days).

Saint-Gály, who emigrated to the United States in 1951 following harrowing adventures in Europe during WWII and after, settled in Carmel in 1956, establishing his studio on Dolores at Sixth. One of the first visitors to the studio was poet Robinson Jeffers, who became a good friend. Saint-Gály became known not only for his fine mosaics, tiles, paintings and watercolors, but for being "an urbane and learned scholar" — a phrase used by then-Assemblyman Sam Farr in a 1983 resolution commending Saint-Gály for his contributions made to art and to the community of Carmel.

### Honored by Carmel council

The Carmel City Council also honored the renowned artist at the Oct. 12 city council meeting on the "grand occasion of his 91st birthday." In a commendation signed by Mayor Ken White and councilmembers, Saint-Gály is praised for his "significant contributions to art and culture in our community."

The greetings continued,

"Through your many remarkable talents you've gained a reputation as a cultural institution. Your dedication as a charter member of the Carmel Arts Commission, works on the Bach Festival and Sunset Committee, as well as 12 years as director of the annual Religious Art Exhibit is greatly appreciated."

The document concludes: "We want you to know how wonderful it is to have people like you in our community who contribute so much to the high quality of life in Carmel-by-the-Sea. You are truly a special kind of man."

### Where to see Saint-Gály art

Saint-Gály's prodigious work of tiles — recreating the history of colonial Williamsburg in microcosm — was commemorated in a half-hour PBS documentary in 1978.

The artist's works can be seen throughout Monterey County: In Carmel, the mosaic fresco on Saks Fifth Avenue building at Ocean and Junipero depicts Father Serra blessing a young Indian boy; mosaics in the garden of The Church of the Wayfarer, Lincoln and Seventh; Our Lady of Guadalupe outdoor shrine at the Carmelite Monastery; in 14 suites and main sign of the Dolphin Inn; tiles in the Community Church of the

Monterey Peninsula, and All Saints Episcopal Day School, Carmel Valley.

In Monterey, Saint-Gály's work can be seen at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 52 Soledad Drive; First



PHOTO/MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

At home in his artist's studio, Geza Saint-Gály is shown here before examples of his tile and mosaic work for which he has won recognition and renown throughout the United States.

Methodist Church; Santa Catalina School; Bethlehem Lutheran Church; Mark Thomas Inn, and at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club in Pebble Beach.

In Northern California: Los Altos at St. William Episcopal Church; Martinez, Catherine of Sienna Church; San Mateo, Sierra High School faculty house; St. Helena, altar piece at the Christian Brothers retreat house; San Francisco, Holy Names Church; Concord, Most Precious Blood Church, Stations of the Cross, and at San Jose Civic Center he created a wall of mosaics showing the development of California history.

He has works in the Dartmouth College chapel in Hanover, New Hampshire and others too numerous to mention in this article.

The artist's favorite of all his works in California is a mural of 34 saints and The Last Judgment at St. Agnes Church, Concord.

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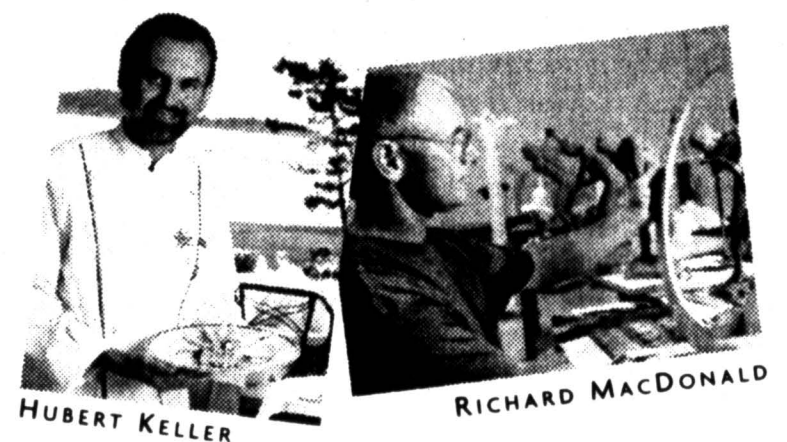
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# Taste Cafe and Bistro packs in loyal local clientele

HOW MANY restaurants around here are packed by 6 p.m.?

Last Saturday, we arrived at Taste Bistro at an unconscionable dining hour — 5 p.m. — in order to make an early theater curtain. By 5:30 the restaurant was filling up, and by six it was packed with happy diners.

In an interview with owner/partner Jay Dib the following Monday, we learned that Saturday evening there were three seatings, totaling 127 diners — this in a restaurant that seats 40 at tables and four patrons at the bar at one sitting.

If you've eaten at Taste, you'll know why the patrons were happy.

This is one of the best run, up-beat, up-scale, moderately priced restaurants around — and the thoughtfully-planned menu and food prep are exceptional.

Every evening, co-owner/chefs Jay Deb and Bill Karaki offer a special which includes soup or salad and an entrée. Saturday the soup was butternut squash, the salad, green, and the entrée grilled albacore tuna, served medium rare (unless otherwise specified), with potatoes au gratin, spinach and tomato vinaigrette — all for \$18.95.

We ordered à la carte: Mediterranean crab cakes (\$6.75) to start with, followed by tortelloni Florentine (\$13.50), and an excellent glass of Les Bateaux merlot from the south of France (\$20/fifth, \$5/glass).

The large crab cake, made with local rock crab, arrived topped with Taste Cafe & Bistro's signature caramelized red onions (wonderfully tasty) with a frisée and concassé tomato salad in a champagne vinaigrette. This first course, beautifully plated, was so filling it could have served as an entrée.

Besides crab, fresh calamari and salmon are local, while

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Our tortelloni Florentine was served on an oval platter topped with generous, wide shavings of grana (aged, grainy hard cheese). The tortelloni were filled with spinach, white and shiitake mushrooms and sun-dried tomatoes, with nice chunks of artichoke hearts, additional spinach and pine nuts in a very rich cheese sauce, with frisée garni.

### Portions are generous

The tomatoes concassé (peeled and coarsely chopped tomatoes), which decorated the plate, are another of Taste's signatures; they not only added color to the dish, but mitigated some of the richness of the sauce. Again, the portions were generous.

If you prefer a meat or fish entrée, there's fresh salmon file, chicken apple sausages, herb roasted chicken, grilled marinated rabbit, lean pork medallions, marinated lamb filets, grilled entrecôte and beef filet mignon — from \$12.50 to \$18.50.

What we noticed in the preparation of dishes we sampled was the freshness of the ingredients and the care with which they were cooked and assembled.

Chef Jay, born in Lebanon, grew up in Canada and finished Cambrian College culinary courses in Toronto before coming to Monterey, where he and partner Bill Karaki were in the dining room of the Monterey Plaza for five years before purchasing Taste Bistro as an ongoing, successful restaurant.

Bill is the head chef in the bistro's exhibition kitchen, with sous chef Santos Reyes heading the line chefs. Jay creates the desserts (everything good from bread pudding to crème brûlée) and sees to the front of the house from behind the small bar.

"We found something that really worked, and we maintained it," Chef Jay told us, referring to their purchase of Taste Cafe & Bistro established by Paulo Kautz and Sylvia Medina who had built an appreciative, loyal clientele of locals over the years.

Taste is known for its soups of the day (\$3.75 both at lunch and dinner), and if you tour the immaculate kitchens you'll see that everything is started from scratch daily.

The chefs, kitchen workers and line people all wear chef's jackets and the ubiquitous baseball caps that have just about supplanted traditional toques, while the well-trained, very professional waitstaff wear chef's jackets with black buttons and wrap-around white aprons. The confident and pleasant demeanor of both cooks and servers is that of professionals — much as one finds in San Francisco and Napa Valley restaurants. Our waitperson, Dino, was friendly, knowledgeable and helpful, and added to the pleasure of dining at Taste.

The decor is French bistro, with blackboards chalked with regular offerings and specials which are also painted with Raffaello cherubs and decorated with dried flowers. A sumptuous bouquet of fresh lilies in a clear vase decorated the bar counter, while Tino Rossi and Louis Armstrong CDs played subtly as background music.

### Pleasing ambiance


"We try to keep it warm, home-like and cozy," Chef Jay said. The closeness of the white clothed tables is typical of a French bistro.

Three weeks ago, lunch was re-introduced "for our locals," Chef Jay told us. "The former owners did 100 patrons for lunch, and so many people asked us to serve

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This year, the Monterey Plaza offers several delicious Christmas dining alternatives for you and your family:



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Christmas Day Dinner will be served in the Duck Club from 1:00 until 9:30 p.m. Prices for the Four-course Dinner vary from \$36-\$40.

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Kids of all ages can again enjoy real "Snow On The Row" at the heart of Cannery Row at Steinbeck Plaza. Monterey Mayor Dan



Albert, the Salvation Army's Captain Henry Graciani, longtime resident and Cannery Row business owner Kalisa Moore, and Cannery Row Company General Managing Partner Ted Balestreri, will welcome the community.

Festivities begin at 5:45 pm with the Salvation Army and the Joyful Tidings Caroling Company. The lighting of the 25' Cannery Row Christmas tree will occur at 6:00 pm, followed by the arrival of Santa Clause by Monterey fire truck amid caroling and Cannery Row's traditional holiday decorations and festivities.

Children are invited to come early and play in the snow, and after the tree lighting and Santa's arrival, visit Santa's Cottage in the Ghirardelli Plaza (Cannery Row near Prescott, under the Cannery Row Company Cross-over) for complimentary photos, courtesy of the Cannery Row Marketing Council.

Santa returns Thursdays ("Sweet Thursday" on Cannery Row) and weekends 'til Christmas. Caroling, too, continues weekends on Cannery Row around Steinbeck Plaza and the Monterey Plaza Hotel.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. F992089. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **THE NECK AND BACK CARE CLINIC**, 1107 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. JOSEPH F. GLENNON, 4235 Canada Lane, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Joseph F. Glennon. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above, on Oct. 28, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 29, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 1999. (PC1102)

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME** File No. F991344. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **THE NECK & BACK CARE CLINIC OF PACIFIC GROVE**, 1107 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on July 21, 1995. JOEL S. SHAIN, 310 Spencer Street, Monterey, CA 93940. This business was conducted by an individual. (s) Joel S. Shain. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Oct. 29, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 1999. (PC1103)

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

In re the Estate of  
**LIANA D. B. NIXEN**, Deceased.  
Case No. MP-14717

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF LIANA D. B. NIXEN

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court at 1200 Aquajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, and mail a copy to Alan Nixen, Trustee of the Trust Dated August 19, 1982, wherein the decedent was the Settlor, at P.O. Box 805, Carmel, California 93921, within the later of four months after November 26, 1999, or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, 30 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Section 19103 of the Probate Code. A claim form may be obtained from the court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested.

(s) Alan Nixen, Trustee  
c/o Post Office Box 805  
Carmel, California 93921

Publication dates: Nov. 12, 19, 26, 1999. (PC1105)

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

In the Matter of the Application of  
**JACINE CALDERON HEWITT**, petitioner,  
for Change of Name  
Case No. M46504

WHEREAS, JACINE CALDERON HEWITT, petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing petitioner's name from JACINE CALDERON HEWITT to JACINE CALDERON SARMIENTO;

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department of this court, located at 11240 Church Street, Salinas, CA, on Dec. 17, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not

be granted.  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in The Carmel Pine Cone, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.  
(s) Michael S. Fields  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date: Nov. 8, 1999  
Publication dates: Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 1999. (PC1106)

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME** File No. F991040. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **HPDIRECT.COM**, 19130 Pruneridge Ave., Mail Stop 49A U29, Cupertino, CA 95014. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on May 27, 1999. HPDIRECT, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION, 19130 Pruneridge Ave., Mail Stop 49A U29, Cupertino, CA 95014. This business was conducted by a corporation. (s) Ross Katchman, Assistant Secretary, Hpdirect, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 2, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 1999. (PC1107)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. F992105. The following persons are doing business as **HPSHOPPINGVILLAGE.COM**; **HPSHOPPINGVILLAGE.COM**, 19130 Pruneridge Ave., Mail Stop 49A U29, Cupertino, CA 95014. HPDIRECT, INC., DELAWARE, 19130 Pruneridge Ave., Mail Stop 49A U29, Cupertino, CA 95014. This business is conducted by a corporation. (s) Ross Katchman, Assistant Secretary, Hpdirect, Inc. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above, on April 19, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 2, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 1999. (PC1108)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. F992135. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **ACABA INC.**, 5th & Mission Court, Apt. #6 (P.O. Box 3993), Carmel, CA 93921. SHERWIN BARRY BANCROFT, 5th & Mission Court Apt. #6, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Sherwin Bancroft. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 17, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 8, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 1999. (PC1110)

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME** File No. F991902. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **BUNNY-DID-IT™**, 26597 Fisher Dr., Carmel, CA 93923. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on Oct. 9, 1996. RITA FAY SCOTT, 26597 Fisher Dr., Carmel, CA 93923. ROBERT KENT BOGARDUS, JR., 26597 Fisher Dr., Carmel, CA 93923. This business was conducted by a general partnership. (s) Robert K. Bogardus, Jr. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 8, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 3, 10, 1999. (PC1111)

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.** To Whom It May Concern: **PEPPER MILL IMPORTS INC.**, are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at 856 Tioga Ave., Sand City, CA 93955 for the following type of license: 20 OFF-SALE BEER AND WINE. Date of Filing Application: Nov. 10, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 3, 1999. (PC1112)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. F992171. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **EYEXAM 2000 OF CALIFORNIA**, Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: 1295483, 1420 Del Monte Shopping Center, Monterey, CA 93940. EYEMED, INC., 1420 Del Monte Shopping Center, Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by a corporation. (s) Mildred Curtis, Assistant Secretary, Eyemed, Inc. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 29, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 12, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 3, 10, 1999. (PC1114)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. F992172. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **EYEXAM 2000 OF CALIFORNIA**, Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: 1295483, 670 Northridge Mall, Salinas, CA 93906. EYEMED, INC., 670 Northridge Mall, Salinas, CA 93906. This business is conducted by a corporation. (s) Mildred Curtis, Assistant Secretary, Eyemed, Inc. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 29, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 12, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 1999. (PC1115)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. F992161. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **THE LOAN DOCTOR**, 200 Clock Tower Place, Ste. E101, Carmel, CA 93923. THE LOAN DOCTOR, 200 Clock Tower Place, Ste. E101, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a corporation. (s) S. Richard Whitworth, President, Carmel Mortgage Corp. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 1980. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 10, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 1999. (PC1116)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. F992213. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **INDIAN SUMMER**, 220 Oliver St., Monterey, CA 93940. S2, LLC, DELAWARE, 12041 Dorol Avenue, Northridge, CA 91326. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. (s) Himanshu Sharma, Director, S2, LLC. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 17, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 17, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 1999. (PC1117)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. F992169. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **ROBERTSON'S ANTIQUES**,

Dolores at 7th, P.O. BOX 2421, Carmel, CA 93921. NICHOLAS DAVID ROBERTSON, 508 4th St., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Nick Robertson. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 16, 1987. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 12, 1999. Publication dates: Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 1999. (PC1118)

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY**  
In re the Name Change Petition of  
**LARRY MICHAEL SMITH**, petitioner.  
Case No. M46646

### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

Date: December 17, 1999

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Dept: To Be Assigned

Judge: To Be Assigned

WHEREAS, Larry Michael Smith, petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing

Petitioner's name from Larry Michael Smith to Michael Joseph Smith;

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Civil Law and Motion Department of this court (exact department to be assigned), located at 1200 Aquajito Road, Monterey, California, on December 17, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in The Carmel Pine Cone, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

Date: Nov. 17, 1999

Publication dates: Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 1999. (PC1119)

**CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** to all persons bearing any interest in the matter, that the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, will conduct a Public Hearing.

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of an appeal of the decision of the Forest and Beach Commission denying the removal of a Monterey pine on private property located on Santa Rita, third southwest of Fifth Avenue Block 61, Lot 3. The property is owned by Pamela Nichols and the appellant is Smilkka Govnich.

**PURPOSE:** To determine if the decision of the forest and Beach Commission should be upheld.

**ZONING DISTRICT:** R-1

**COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA:**

n/a

**DAY:** Tuesday

**DATE:** December 7, 1999

**TIME:** 3:30 P.M. or shortly thereafter.

**PLACE:** The City Council Meeting will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues.

Any court action made pursuant to decisions made by the City on this (these) proposed action(s) may be limited to issues raised at the

public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

**ALL INTERESTED PARTIES** are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above.

**BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA.**

(s) Jeanne Brehmer, City Clerk

DATED: November 17, 1999

Publication dates: Nov. 26, 1999. (PC1120)

**CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA CITY COUNCIL**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 99-121**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA CALLING THE APRIL 11, 2000, GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF FILLING TWO SEATS ON THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE MAYOR'S SEAT AND REQUESTING SERVICES FROM THE MONTEREY COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 12000, et seq., Elections Code, the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea hereby calls an election to be held on April 11, 2000, for the purpose of electing successors to the terms of office which expire in April 1998; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 13305, Elections Code, it is incumbent upon this City to determine who will pay the cost of the Candidates Statements and to fix the number of words to be submitted on these Statements; and

WHEREAS, for the ease of convenience of the registered voters within this City and in order to take advantage of any possible reduction in election costs, it is desirable that this City election be consolidated with any other election to be held on the same day;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS

1. A City election will be held within this City on April 11, 2000, for the purpose of filling two seats on the City Council, each for terms for four (4) years, and the Mayor's seat for a term of two (2) years.

2. Pursuant to Section 13305, Elections Code, the City Council has resolved that the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will pay the cost of the Candidates Statements. Said Statements shall not exceed 200 words in length.

3. This election shall be consolidated with any other election to be held totally or

partially within the boundaries of the City on the same day with our City election.

b. Pursuant to Section 12109, Elections Code, if this election is to be conducted using a punch card voting system, the City Council hereby designates the City Council Chambers, City Hall, City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, as the central counting place.

c. The polling places shall be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

d. The City Council hereby authorizes the official canvass to be conducted as follows:

(1) The Registrar of Voters shall conduct the official canvass commencing on Thursday, April 13, 2000, and report the results of said canvass to the City Council on Tuesday, April 18, 2000.

(2) The City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea shall meet on the first Tuesday following the election, April 18, 2000, and install the newly-elected Council Members and Mayor (§ 10262 et seq., Elections Code)

4. The Registrar of Voters is authorized to bill the City on a pro-rated basis for any and all costs associated with the City election, including the cost of counting the ballots at City Hall.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA** this 2nd day of November 1999, by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** COUNCIL MEMBERS: Hazdovac, Hydorn, Livingston, McCloud, White

**NOES:** COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**ABSENT:** COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

(s) Ken White, Mayor

City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

**ATTEST:**

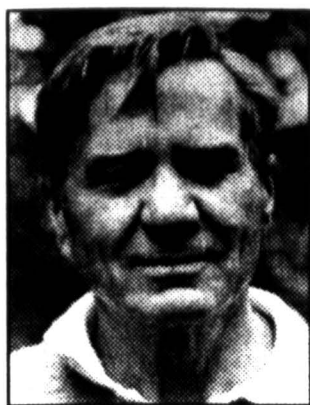
Jeanne Brehmer, City Clerk

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## Jeffers Foundation presents reading from new Rainer Rilke translation

GALWAY KINNELL and his co-translator Hannah Liebmann will read from their recently published translation of the great German lyric poet and major modern influence, Rainer Maria Rilke (1875-1926).



Galway Kinnell

Sponsored by the Robinson Jeffers Tor House Foundation, the reading begins at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2 in Carpenter Hall (Mission, south of Eighth) in Carmel.

Admission is \$8 at the door.

Kinnell has won both the Pulitzer Prize and the American Book Award for his poetry. A MacArthur Fellow and past State Poet of Vermont, he is Erick Maria Remarque Professor of Creative Writing at New York University. His 12th and most recent collection of poetry, "Imperfect Thirst," was published in 1994.

Hannah Liebmann, a native of Austria and a resident of Monterey, has worked as editor and translator in the business world of Silicon Valley, translated the panels for the exhibit "Walk Thru Time: From Stardust to Us" into German, and is managing editor of an international technical quarterly. She has served as editorial assistant to the literary



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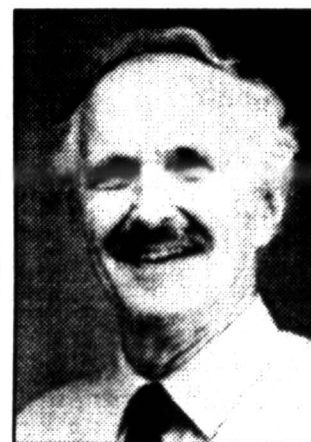
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Also showing at La Mirada are the works of four contemporary West Coast sculptors: Philip McCracken, Gwynn Murrill, Jack Zajac and Dan Corbin. "Forms and Essence: Contemporary Sculpture" will run through Feb. 6, 2000.

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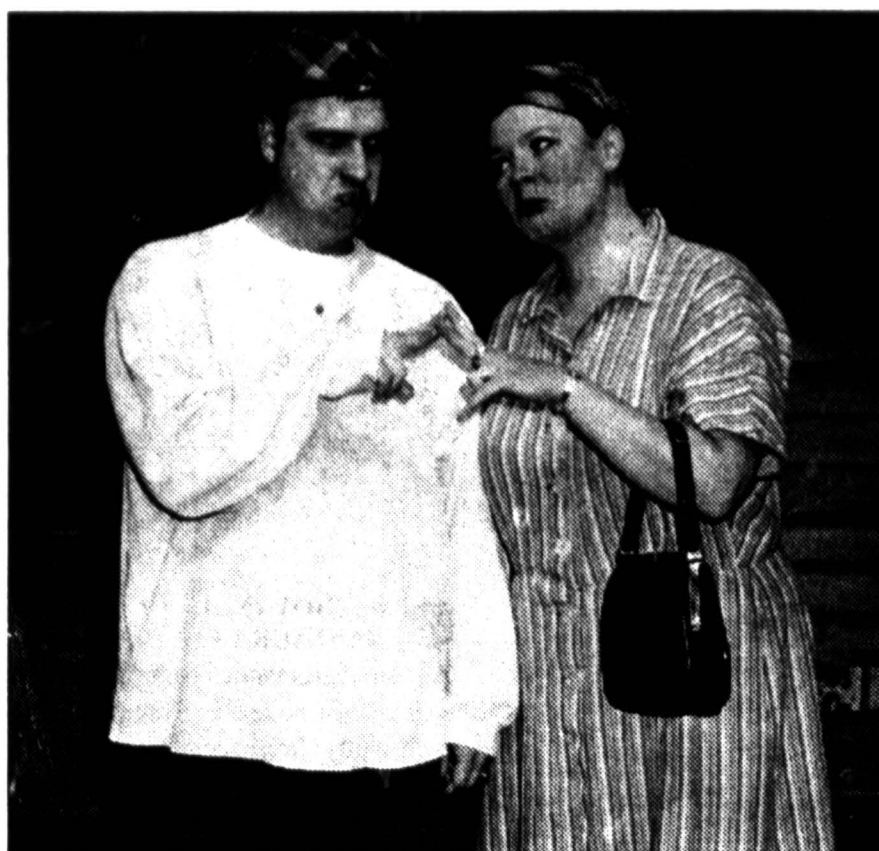
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## Local winners in Seaside juried art show announced

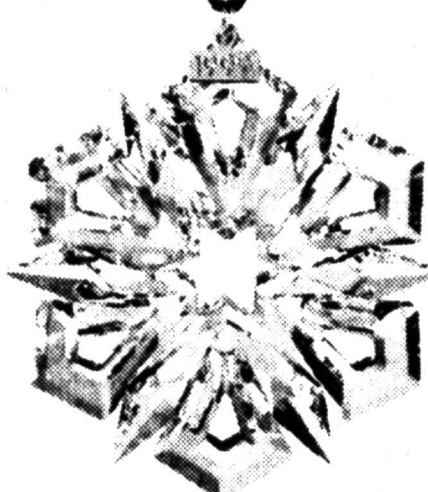
**BRANHAM** RENDLEN of Big Sur won first place in the painting category of Seaside Cultural Services' recent juried art show, with his "Tassajara Fire," taking with it a prize of \$150, which is awarded to all first place winners in each category

Mark Farina of Pacific Grove took second place in the same category for "Laguna Park."

In the Works on Paper category, Pacific Grove's Charles M. Thompson won first place with "Dream of Los Angeles," and Marilyn Mzingo of Carmel Valley took third place with "Remembrance."

Blafojee Stojanoviski of Pacific Grove won third place in the Sculpture category; and Ken Wiese of Carmel was awarded an honorable mention for his "Standing Bird" sculpture.

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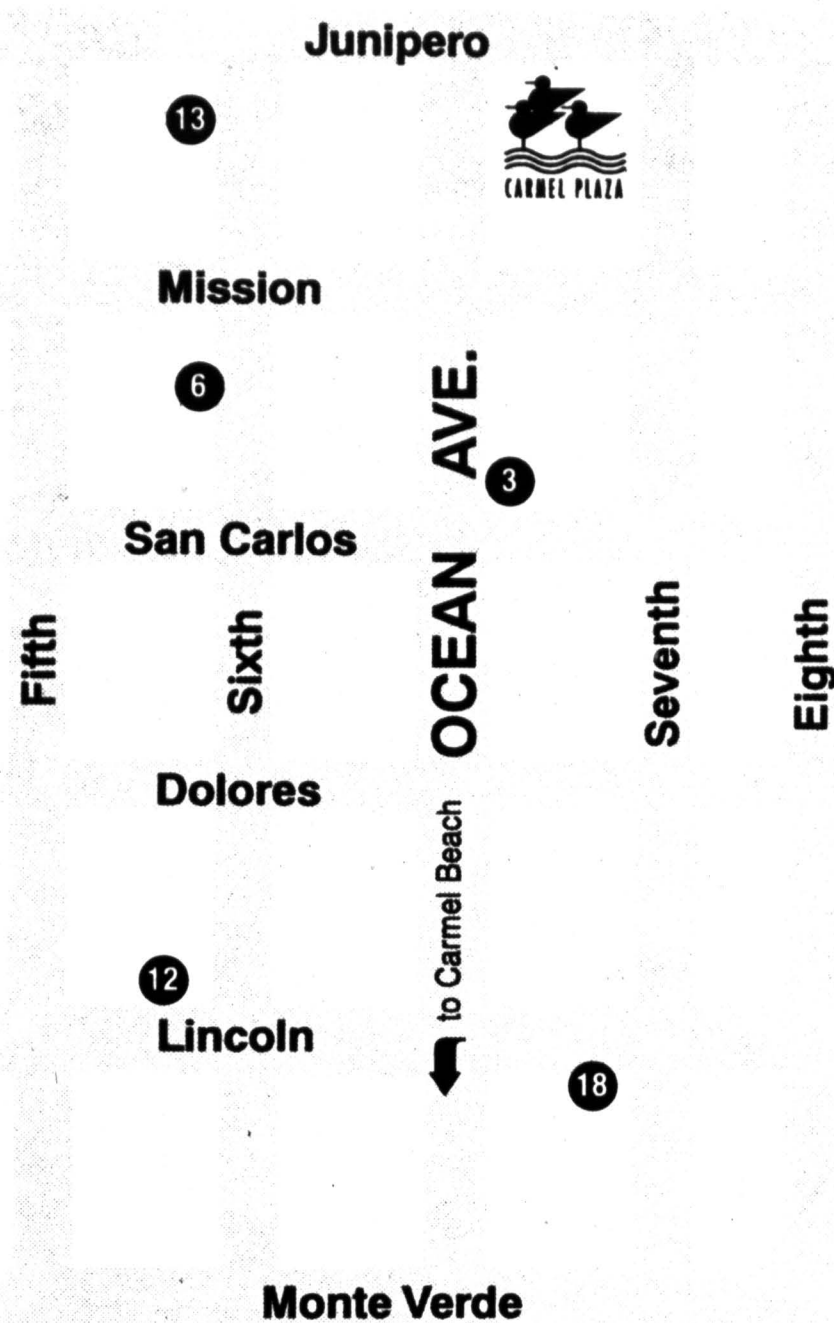
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AN OLD-FASHIONED celebration of Carmel's past combined with current efforts at historic preservation is being organized as a family-oriented outing from 2 to 4:30 p.m. in Devendorf Park, Saturday, Dec. 4. It is sponsored by the Flanders Foundation and six other Carmel non-profit organizations.

Participating groups are Carmel Preservation Foundation, Robinson Jeffers Tor House Foundation, Carmel Residents Association, Lester Rowntree Native Plant Garden committee, and the Carmel Cottage Society, with the support of the Carmel Business Association.

Tables of information will be staffed by each of the groups, who will organize music, games, food, lawn dancing, face painting, an egg toss and "pin the wreath on the door." Drinks will include root beer, lemon crush and sarsaparilla.

For information, call 626-3826.

## A LA CARTE

From page 20A

lunch again, we did." They offer a special each day and regular luncheon fare, but with a flair. Their Caesar salad is embellished with brioche croutons and grana cheese (\$4.50) and with crispy calamari added, it's \$7.50

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## First 'Nutcracker' of the season staged this weekend in Salinas

SALINAS PERFORMING Arts, Inc. will stage that holiday classic, "The Nutcracker," Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 27-28, at Sherwood Hall, 940 N. Main St., Salinas.

"The Nutcracker" will feature special guest artists Patrick Thornberry and Sarah Lamb of the Boston Ballet.

Curtain is at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children 12 and under. Tickets may be purchased at the Sherwood Hall box office.

## 'Girl on the Prairie' at Forest

THE LIFE of Laura Ingalls Wilder is evoked in a one-woman show featuring Marcia Gambrell Hovick. Final performances of "Girl on the Prairie" will be staged at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 26-28, at the Indoor Forest Theater, Mountain View and Santa Rita, Carmel. For reservations, call 624-1531.

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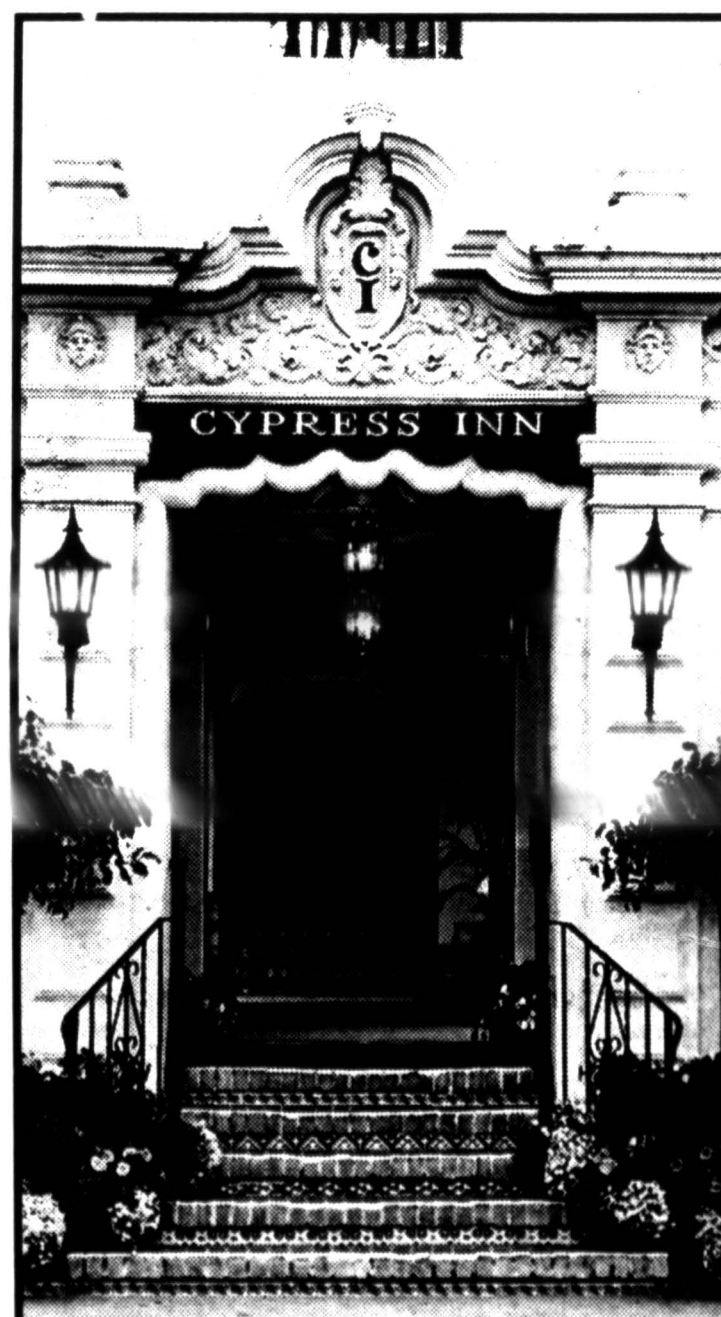
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## Editorial

### Making creativity legal

GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS are always expanding, never shrinking. Every year more things are illegal, and more of the things that are legal have to be done the government's way.

Carmel's struggle to preserve its unique character is a good example of a community problem that can be made worse, not better, by government intervention.

That's because the man-made qualities which make the village special simply can't be codified.

This week the city took a big step toward opening the door just a bit to the unfettered human creativity that made Carmel unique.

It seems strange to us now, but almost all of the city's best-loved buildings were designed and constructed without input from local government.

In the 1920s and '30s communism was fashionable among many American artists and intellectuals, but nobody dreamed of having city hall control what your windows were made of or what kind of tree you could plant in your yard.

"Design review" hadn't been invented when Hugh Comstock, M.J. Murphy and Frank Lloyd Wright were sensitively designing homes for Carmel-by-the-Sea. These geniuses of engineering and architecture listened only to their clients — and their Muse.

Nowadays, unfortunately, both voices can be drowned out by the regulatory din. Today's brilliant home designers and builders — and there are several of them working in Carmel — have to adhere to a tangled mass of rules that makes it practically impossible for them to be inventive.

"We are getting a lot of cookie-cutter houses," one long-time resident of the city lamented.

Some Carmelites see more government control and stricter rules as the answer.

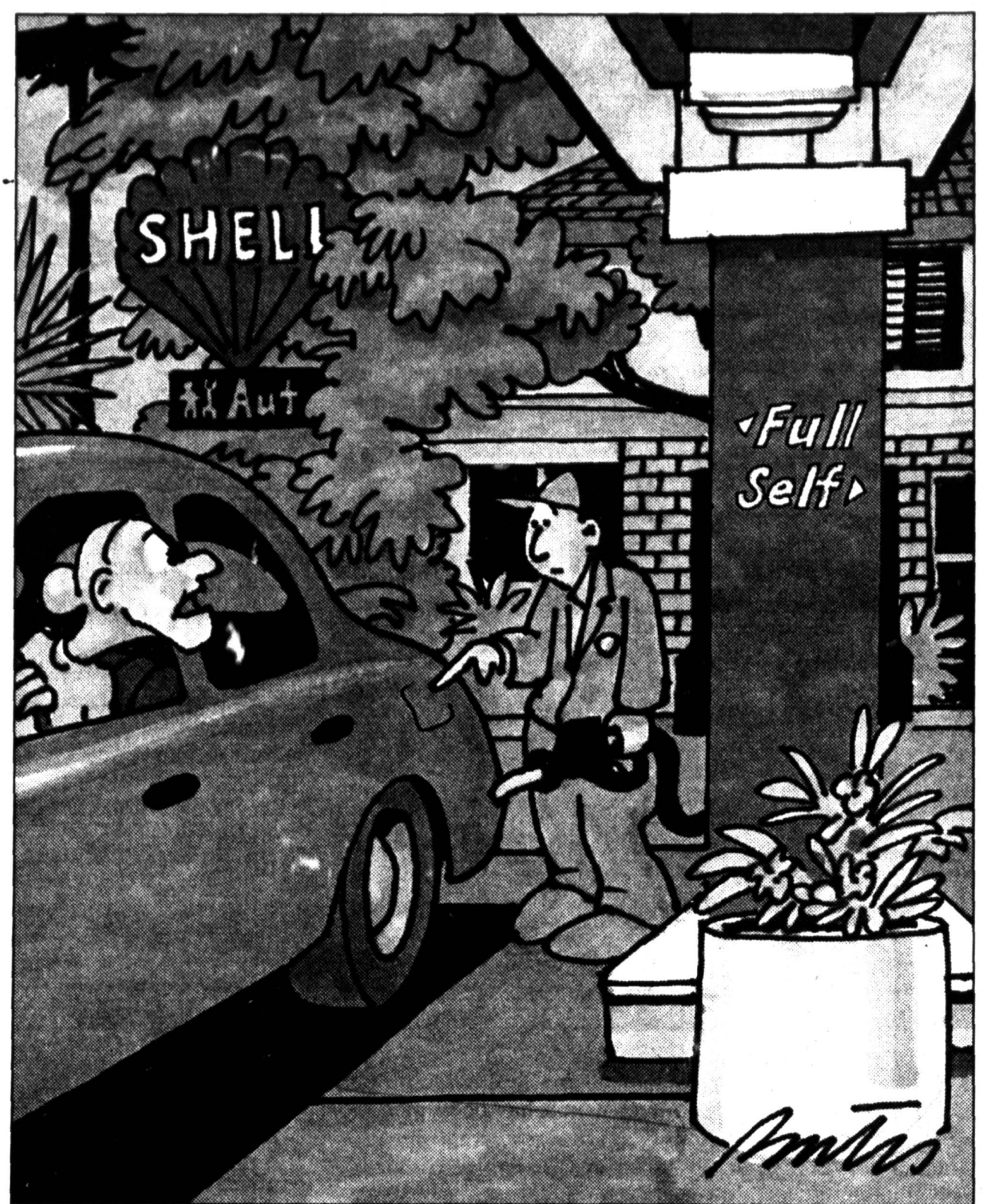
But consultant Noré Winter, in a report delivered to city hall last week, recommends that Carmel offer a new permit process for unique or inventive home designs.

Special exceptions to setback, height or lot-coverage rules might be appropriate, Winter says, for projects which meet the city's "design objectives" — attractive, tasteful homes appropriate for Carmel neighborhoods — without directly meeting specific zoning rules.

This is a daring proposal which may have no more than a snowball's chance of becoming law.

But we think Carmelites — once they've been weaned from the idea that the town will die unless everything is regulated — will soon recognize the value of encouraging architectural creativity in a town where it once flourished.

## BATES



"Don't tell me to flip my lid!"

## Letters to the Editor

The Pine Cone encourages submission of letters which address issues of public importance. The Pine Cone will not edit letters but reserves the right to determine which letters are suitable for publication. Letters should not exceed 350 words, and must include the author's signature, name, telephone number and street address. Please do not send us letters which have been submitted to other newspapers.

The Pine Cone is no longer able to accept letters-to-the-editor by fax. Please submit your letters by U.S. mail, e-mail, or in person (addresses are provided below).

### Paid parking will degrade village

Dear Editor:

The proposed paid parking plan for our village's business district is, in my judgment, a serious mistake. Contrary to the spirit of the founders of our village who placed great weight on keeping the village a village, proponents of paid parking care only about making more money to fund an

ever-expanding budget. I would prefer to scrutinize the budget line by line and live within our means in order to preserve village character which includes streets free of parking vending machines. Paid parking is quite simply an act of financial desperation by a city government which for years has spent too much on items unrelated to the health, welfare or direct benefit to residents. Examples range from spending over \$3 million to buy Rio Park to adopting budgets which allow expenditure growth to exceed long-term revenue increases.

To me — a 30 year resident — paid parking will degrade residential life. More and more people will park on and speed through our residential streets; it will be more difficult to shop downtown or visit the post office; and our sidewalks will be covered with large, ugly parking vending machines. Above all, the character we have fought to maintain will degrade by making our downtown like many others: a revenue source for government instead of a place for us to meet, walk around, shop and take pride in.

Howard C. Nieman, Sr.,  
Carmel

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# City Talk

BY KEN WHITE  
MAYOR, CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA

## Sunset Center Renovation:

A Community Open House will be held at Sunset Center in Carpenter Hall on Tuesday, November 30, from 4 to 6 p.m. This is a great opportunity for the public to meet and talk with the project manager and design team about progress made to date and the status of the proposed renovation project design. Refreshments will be served. Free parking will be available at the Sunset Center north parking lot.

A project information wall display is now set up in the Sunset Center lobby for public review. Informational project displays are also being prepared for the downtown and mouth-of-the-valley post offices. Those displays should be ready by mid-December.

## Holiday Tree Lighting:

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea and the Carmel Business Association invite one and all to the city's annual Holiday Tree Lighting on Friday, Dec. 3, at 4 p.m. The Community Activities Department will have engaging activities for younger children and the tree will be lighted at about 5 to 5:30 p.m. Following the tree lighting the Carmel Plaza will host an Open House at the patio inside the plaza. This will be a wonderful evening for Carmelites to come together and share the excitement and joy during the holiday season.

## Design Traditions Project:

Many of us have participated in the Design Traditions Project, which began almost two years ago with meetings that included building professionals, Realtors and large numbers of community representatives. Last week the project consultant returned with a draft of the work that has been accomplished to date. The consultant met again with architects, builders, Realtors, city council, and the Planning Commission to discuss the findings of the draft materials.

One of the major components of the Design Traditions Project is the steering committee, which has been meeting for the past two years to put all the public comments into recommendations to the Planning Commission and city council. This dedicated group deserves our appreciation and applause for developing streamlined and easy to understand building codes that reflect what the citizens of our community desire for future building in our residential neighborhoods. It's anticipated that input from this past week's meetings will be reviewed by the steering committee, then referred to the Planning Commission. During this process, prior to adoption, there will be numerous opportunities for further community input at public hearings and everyone is encouraged to participate. The Design Traditions Project is one of the

most important advance planning issues that will affect the look of Carmel-by-the-Sea 50 years from now.

## Community Participation:

City meeting announcements and items of community interest are posted on the bulletin board in front of City Hall, at the Harrison Memorial Library and inside the post office. Your participation in city government is essential to assure that a good representation of our community is heard on all issues. The city council and I look forward to hearing your comments.

## Recycling

We need to continue to improve our recycling efforts to meet the city's 50% reduction goal mandated by the state in order to be in compliance by January 2000. Currently we are at 37%, so please make every effort to utilize all your recycling options and take full advantage of this program so we are not subject to a fine for non-compliance.

## Raccoons

My final comment is a reminder that everyone needs to avoid feeding the raccoons. We must make every effort to discourage these wild animals and to avoid the damage they cause.



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## LETTERS

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### Water decision due

Dear Sir:

At this point, the best alternative to the behemoth dam appears to be adrift in a sea of half truths, under-statements, misunderstandings, hidden motives, and maybe even some lies. Common sense is called for — the most expedient and economic route to go is to simply utilize the two existing dams by doing whatever is needed to maximize their capacities. It would be better than the big one to tear down one or both of the old ones and rebuild it, if that is necessary.

Certainly, it is not going to cost any \$750,000 to exercise such a judgment. The water here is a natural monopoly, as Adam Smith would proclaim. In such an instance, the decision most favorable to the public interest might best be made by the state.

Harry Rockey,  
Carmel Valley

### Group wants 'considerate' use of Flanders

Dear Editor,

Many interested and curious people have walked up the

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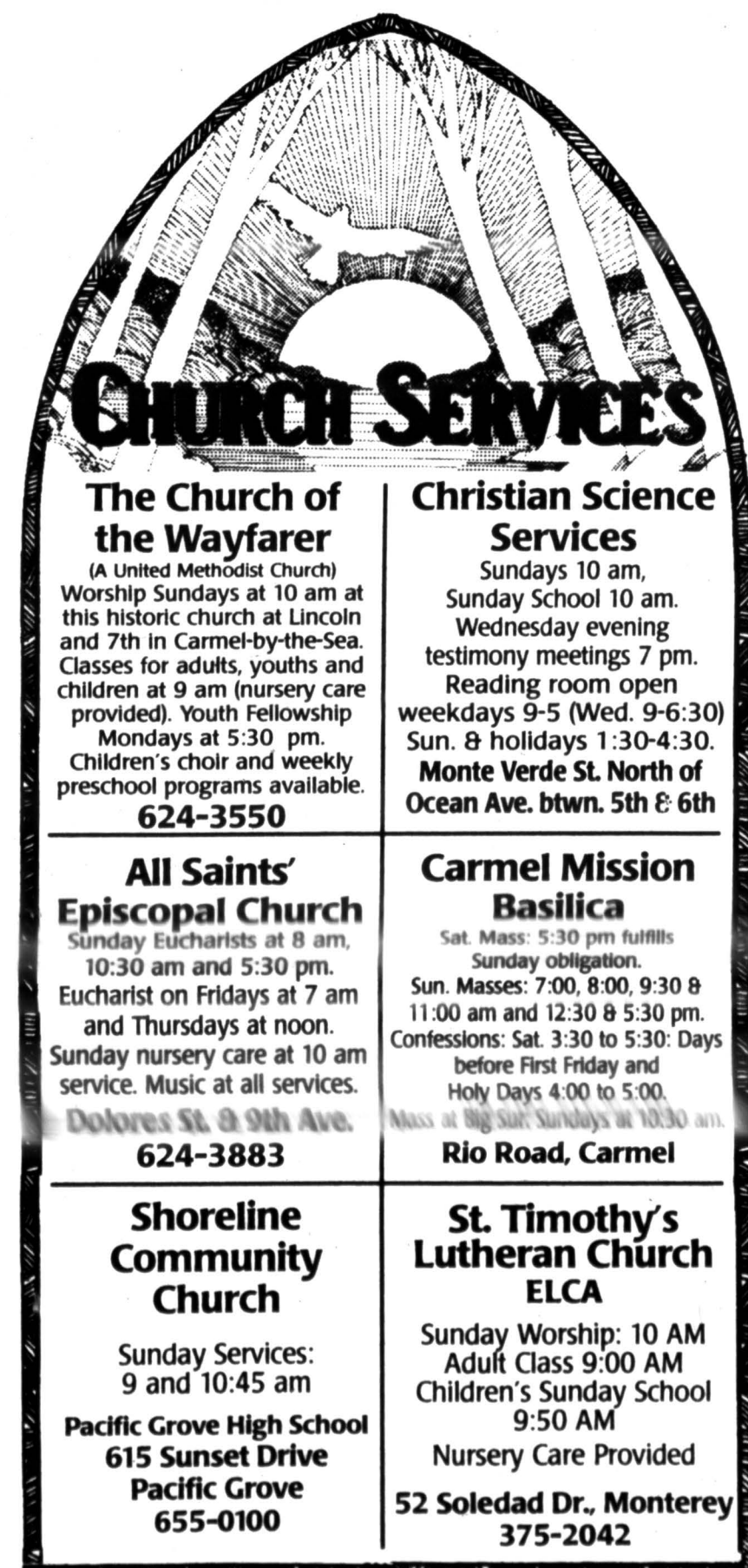
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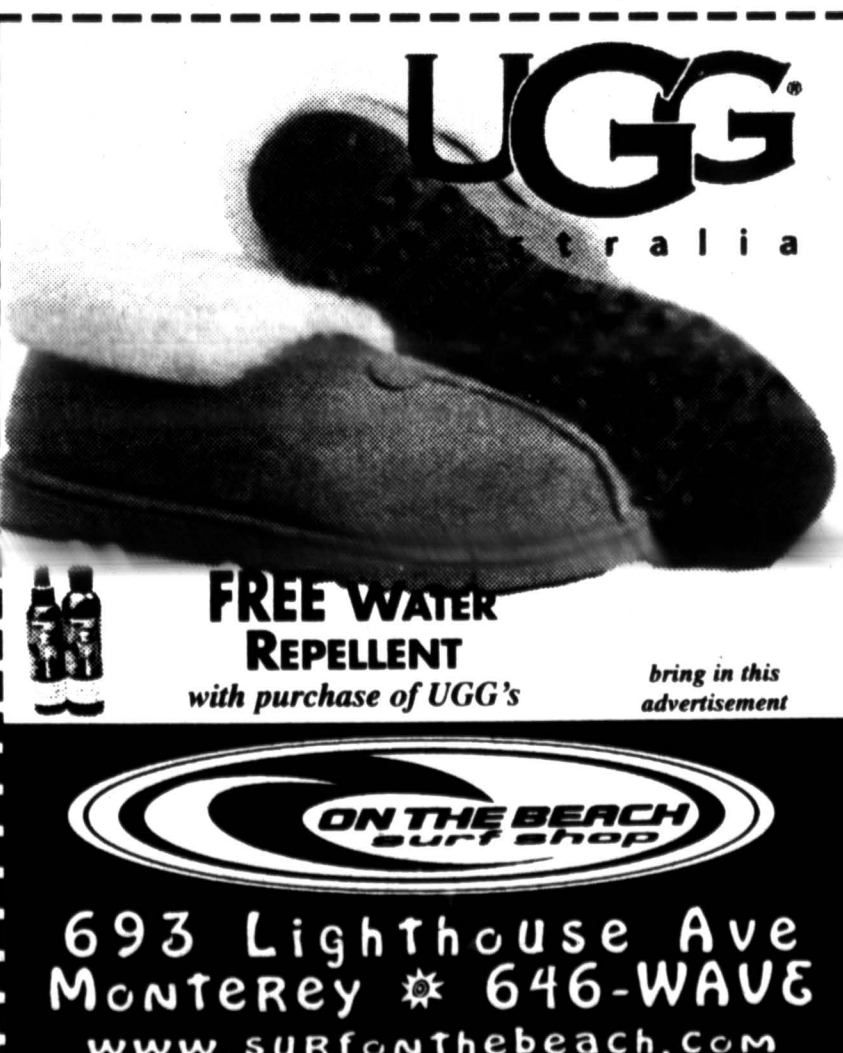
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# LETTERS

From page 27A

Mission Trail in the last two months, just because they read a flyer or heard someone speak of the Flanders Mansion Walks. These four walks have been conducted by members of the Flanders Foundation in an attempt to let the citizens know about the historical story, as well as the modern story, of this special building and its magnificent site.

The modern story is that if the City of Carmel, at its Dec. 7 council meeting, is not convinced by efforts of the Flanders Foundation to keep this property — which is central to the Lester Rowntree Native Plant Garden and the Mission Trail — the city will start the process of selling or long term leasing the property. This could turn the present driveway into a private access way only with accompanying fences and gates to enclose the then R-1 usage.

Presently, the Flanders Foundation has an active fund raising drive and grant writing program that are both showing great success for just one-and-a-half months of activity.

Considerate use of Flanders, which is sympathetic to the neighborhood, has been the charge for the

Flanders Foundation. We, the members of this group, see it as short-sighted of the city to sell or lease this historically registered dwelling in the midst of these open space functions, and when numerous organizations will be looking for places to be housed while Sunset Center is rehabilitated.

Gary Girard,  
Carmel

## Honesty in statistics?

Dear Editor,

Recently, the Monterey County Planning Commission was chided for not adopting a two-year building moratorium in Carmel Valley. It was quoted that 91% of all homeowners and 65% of all business owners in the Valley favor a moratorium.

What the the complaint failed to explain was that those figures were based on a survey of 2,396 people from Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (CVPOA) membership list, of which 1,013 actually responded, and that the CVPOA membership represents less than 3% of property owners in Carmel Valley.

Maybe the statistics were not really understood. Hopefully, these numbers have not been deliberately misconstrued for political purposes. Fortunately, the Planning Commission had done its homework — as we all should when we cite and rely on someone's statistics when forming our opinions.

Jana Robinson  
Carmel Valley

## CORRECTION

THE BARNS built by Gilbert and Ana Cox on their Cachagua goat dairy farm were built in the 1980s with an "agricultural exemption," according to Ana Cox. Monterey County later removed that exemption and required building permits for the structures, she said.

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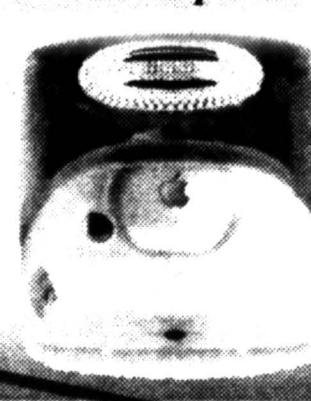
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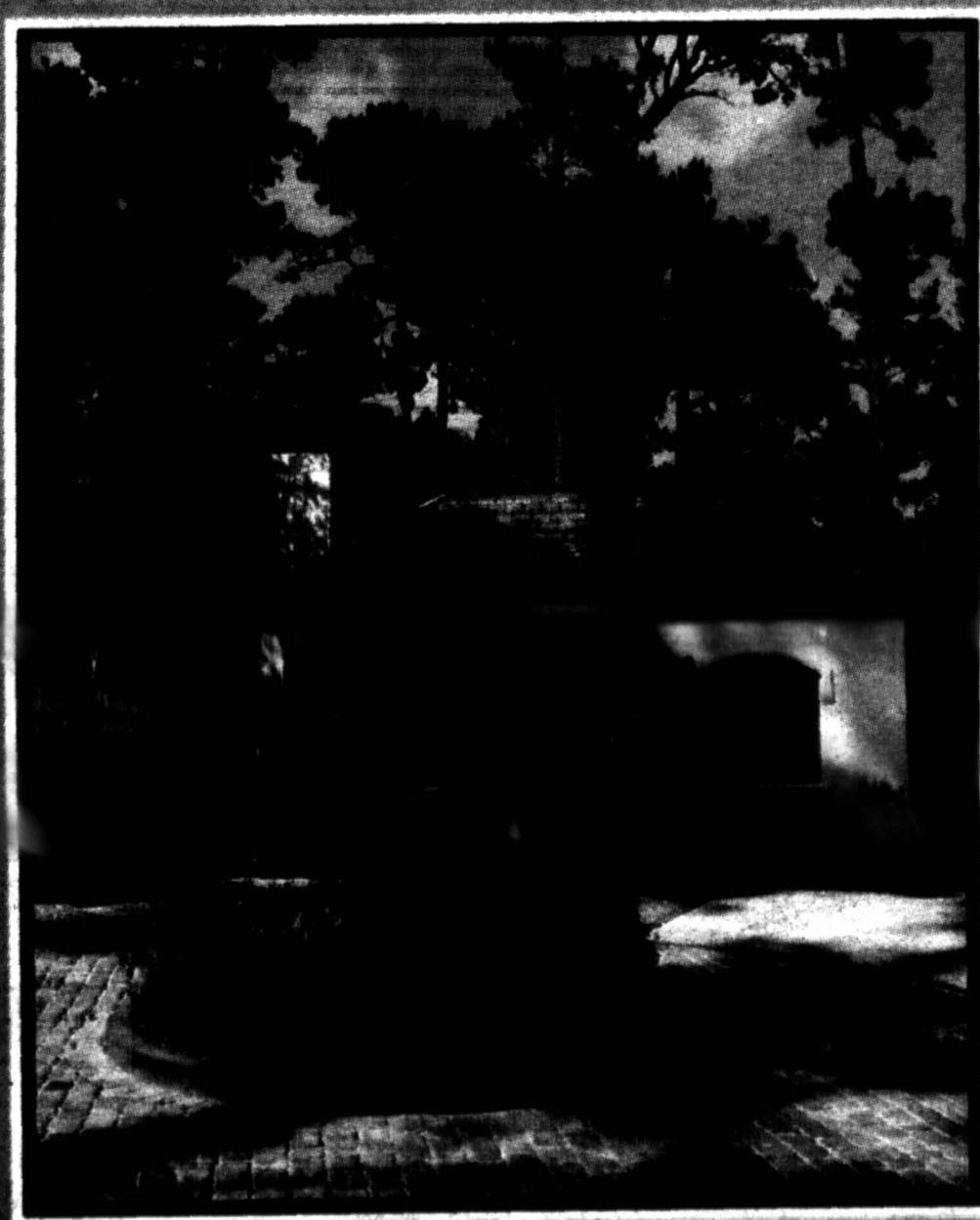
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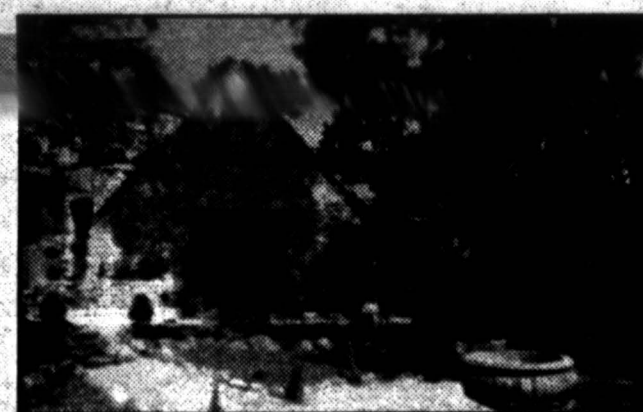


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Address	Host	Price
<b>CARMEL</b>		
3425 Mountain View/Shafter Way 4 BR/3.5 BA	JoAnna Tupman	\$1,350,000 1:30-4:00
3385 Martin Road 4 BR/3 BA	Terry McGowan	\$1,395,000 11:00-1:00
SW Corner 2nd & Monte Verde 3 BR/3.5 BA	JoAnna Tupman	\$2,200,000 11:00-1:00
<b>PACIFIC GROVE</b>		
1216 Shafter 3 BR/1 BA	Mark Trapin	\$338,000 11:00-1:30
<b>MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY</b>		
26005 Ned Lane 5 BR/4+ BA	Mark Trapin	\$695,000 2:00-4:00
<b>PEBBLE BEACH</b>		
#4 Spyglass Woods Drive 3 BR/3 BA	John Levinson	\$895,000 11:00-3:00

<b>CARMEL</b>		
Junipero 3 NE/3rd 3BR/3 BA	Joanna Tupman	\$949,000 1:30-4:00
3425 Mountain View/Shafter Way 4 BR/3.5 BA	Vicki Mitchell	\$1,350,000 1:00-3:00
San Carlos 3rd SW of 12th 2 BR/1 BA	JoAnna Tupman	\$525,000 11:00-1:00
<b>CARMEL HIGHLANDS</b>		
46 Yankee Point Drive 4 BR/3.5 BA	Carla Belgrano Ramsey	\$1,995,000 11:00-3:00
<b>CARMEL VALLEY</b>		
6 Merrill Way 3 BR/2 BA	Joan Zielinski	\$399,000 1:00-4:00
<b>PACIFIC GROVE</b>		
144 7th Street 2 BR/1 BA	Lee Mink	\$425,000 1:00-4:00
<b>PEBBLE BEACH</b>		
#4 Spyglass Woods Drive 3 BR/3 BA	John Levinson	\$895,000 11:00-3:00
1070 Wranglers Trail 2 BR/3.5 BA	Miles Martin	\$865,000 1:00-4:00

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**CARMEL VALLEY** — Looking for the perfect starter home or weekend retreat? Don't miss your opportunity to own this two-story home on 3.9 acres in Cachagua. The 1,450 sq.ft. home offers three bedrooms, one bath, fireplace in living room and large view deck opening up to the beautiful oak studded yard. The property has an extra building perfect for an office or guest quarters and room for horses.

\$259,000

659-2267



**CARMEL** — Potential abounds in this fixer-upper with two bedrooms and one and one-half baths — the last house within Carmel-by-the-Sea city limits. The home features hardwood floors, brick fireplace in living room, bright kitchen and spacious back deck. On a nice lot, with room to expand, this property has lots of possibilities. Just bring your imagination.

\$449,000

624-0136



**CARMEL VALLEY** — Offering a flexible floor plan, this home flanks its sweeping views of the upper Carmel Valley ranches around a floor-to-ceiling fireplace outfitted with custom cabinetry. Upstairs is a master suite, with a large horseshoe-shaped closet; downstairs is a family room or in-home office. Decks surround the home, and a screened porch extends the living space to the outdoors.

\$489,500

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**CARMEL** — This solid three bedroom, three bath home has been lovingly maintained with exceptional attention to detail. Features include a beautiful cook's kitchen with custom cabinets and an oversized sub-zero refrigerator, remodeled baths, cathedral ceilings, a greenhouse and southerly views of the mountains. Separate apartment for in-laws, teenagers or guests. Must see to appreciate.

\$519,000

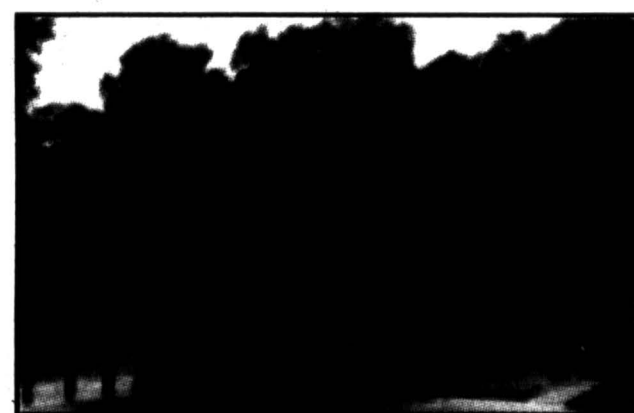
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**MONTEREY** — In a sunny and convenient location is where you'll find this beautifully remodeled three bedroom, three bath home with office/study. Dramatic Carmel stone fireplace, vaulted ceilings, French doors, recessed lighting, tile and travertine, an excess of closets and built-ins are a few of the custom features. Electric security gate, fenced yard and landscaped grounds complete this private estate.

Reduced to \$645,000

624-0136



**CARMEL VALLEY** — This redwood beauty is nestled in a private six plus acre site with lots of oaks, its own meandering creek, and an abundance of sunshine. There are two master bedroom suites on the second floor. The larger one features a fireplace, three closets, and a spacious bath. On the main level are two more bedrooms, a bath, and a large living room, kitchen, and dining room all flowing onto the decks.

\$795,000

659-2267



**CARMEL** — This single level home is sited on a private 1.1 acre lot with views of the Pacific and Point Lobos. The versatile floor plan has two possible master suites, a third bedroom/den, a sunny living room with fireplace, country kitchen and lots of windows to views and garden. This house has plentiful water fixtures and remodel potential. Central location, close to everything!

\$829,000

624-0136



**PEBBLE BEACH** — Located steps from the MPCC club house, adjacent to a greenbelt is this architecturally unique, two bedroom, three and one half bath home. Ocean views from the huge master suite with its own private sitting room, two baths and walk-in closet. Antique finishes throughout include; fireplace mantel and hutch, doors, cabinets, flooring, ironwork, and gorgeous stained glass windows.

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## REAL ESTATE

# Beach plan provides new safety measures, preserves traditions

By TAMARA GRIPPI

TWO SOLAR-powered emergency 911 phones should be installed along the Scenic Road pathway as soon as possible, according to a master plan for the beach reviewed by the Carmel City Council Nov. 23.

At a special meeting, the council completed its major work on the Carmel Beach Master Plan, a document necessary for the city to finally complete the local coastal program mandated by the California Coastal Act of 1973.

During the meeting the council and leaders of both the task force that prepared the report and the Forest and Beach Commission that refined it went over the document with a fine-toothed comb.

"Council should recognize that we have just completed a monumental task," said Carmel Mayor Ken White at the end of the meeting.

The plan won't be final until staff incorporates it into the city's coastal program and it is okayed by the California Coastal Commission.

### 'As soon as possible'

The 12-member task force, chaired by former mayor Jean Grace, spent over a year hammering out the issues related to the beach — everything from maintenance of the dunes to whether bongo drums should be allowed on the beach.

Installing the emergency phones was one of the group's top priorities, Grace said. "It's



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Carmel's existing rules for beach fires and dogs off leashes will be preserved under a new beach master plan considered this week by the Carmel City Council.

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"One of the things people are not used to at the beach is the riptide," McCloud said. "When I was a kid we had big metal warning signs at the water's edge."

Grace said the combination of a strong undertow and the kelp forest — which entangles the unwary — can be deadly.

The master plan also calls for brochures to educate people about how to play it safe on the beach.

"In our brochures we tend to show the beach as a benign place," said Karen Ferlito, chairwoman of the Forest and Beach Commission.

The master plan leaves in place the city's current policies that allow fires on the beach south of Tenth Avenue and permit dogs to roam the beach without leashes — as long as they're under voice control of their owners.

However, those two issues generated the most debate at the meeting and the council agreed that it may have to revisit both policies at some point in the future.

The master plan recommends that the city should consider a "Sunday leash law" — for holidays or weekends when the beach is most crowded — in the future if the city's dog policy doesn't work.

"Since most people who walks dogs without a leash know the beach and regulations, I don't think they're going to object to a Sunday leash law," Grace said. "Carmel is the only beach in 400 miles where you can run a dog without a leash."

White said that if the city does adopt a Sunday leash policy, it will involve "a monumental education project and enforcement."

While the master plan will continue to allow people to have beach fires south of Tenth Avenue, some council members were concerned about irresponsible people who abuse the privilege.

"Fires come up time and time again," Ferlito said. "But unless it's absolutely proven that it's a terrible thing, I would hate to see it removed as an opportunity. We all have a horror story or two, but the majority of people having a fire do it the right way."



## REAL ESTATE

# Design consultant proposes 3-track permit system

Last week, the Carmel City Council and Planning Commission received a detailed series of reports from consultant Noré Winter which included recommendations for changes in the city's procedures for handling building permits in the city's residential neighborhoods. Among the changes is a proposed 3-track permit process which would allow simple projects to be approved quickly and which would also make it possible for unique or creative designs to seek exemptions from code limits. The following is the section of the consultant's report which includes these recommended changes:

## Proposed Amendments to the Land Use Code

### Background:

During the past year, community representatives have worked to identify a series of modifications to the Land Use Code that will help to accomplish the objectives of the Design Traditions Project. Some of these revisions address building mass while others clarify rules for measuring basic prescriptive standards, including setbacks and height limits. Incentives for exceeding minimum standards are also included. This paper summarizes the recommended changes.

As a part of the Carmel Design Traditions Project, city council reviewed a Character Management Plan in July 1998. That plan

includes recommendations to amend some of the provisions in the Land Use Code that affect the character of development. This paper draws upon those suggestions. It also includes decisions and advice from the Design Traditions Steering Committee.

### Key Objectives:

In considering amendments to the Land Use Code regulations, the community seeks to balance these objectives:

#### 1. Minimize the mass of building by:

- Locating some floor area in garden and basement levels
- Retaining larger lots, rather than dividing them into individual parcels for development
- Constructing smaller houses
- Using simple building forms and shapes
- Closing existing loopholes in height measurements

#### 2. Maximize the perception of open space by:

- Positioning yard areas to abut those of adjoining properties to enhance their impact.
- Using traditional plant materials that are similar to those employed on adjoining properties to visually link the spaces.
- Making efficient use of hard surfaces and avoiding large expanses of paving on the site
- Encouraging development that retains larger parcels rather than dividing them into sets of minimum size lots.
- Requiring larger setbacks

#### 3. Protect significant trees by:

- Positioning a structure to avoid impacts on trees, both above and below ground
- Reducing the foot print of a house to avoid impacting trees
- Avoiding excessive cut & fill
- Providing adequate space for trees

#### 4. Maintain the forest character throughout the city by:

- Using traditional plant materials
- Minimizing the impacts of parking in the

#### right-of-way

- Maintaining an informal street edge

#### 5. Increase the capacity for design diversity by:

- Providing flexibility in setback standards
- Encouraging alternate garage locations
- Creating incentives for garden level and basement spaces

Each of the Land Use Code amendments proposed in this paper is designed to achieve these objectives.

See AMENDMENTS page 7B

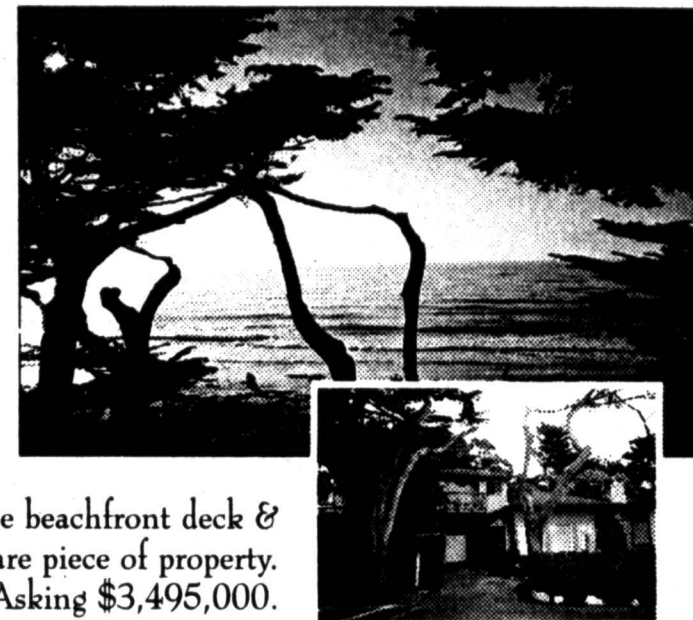
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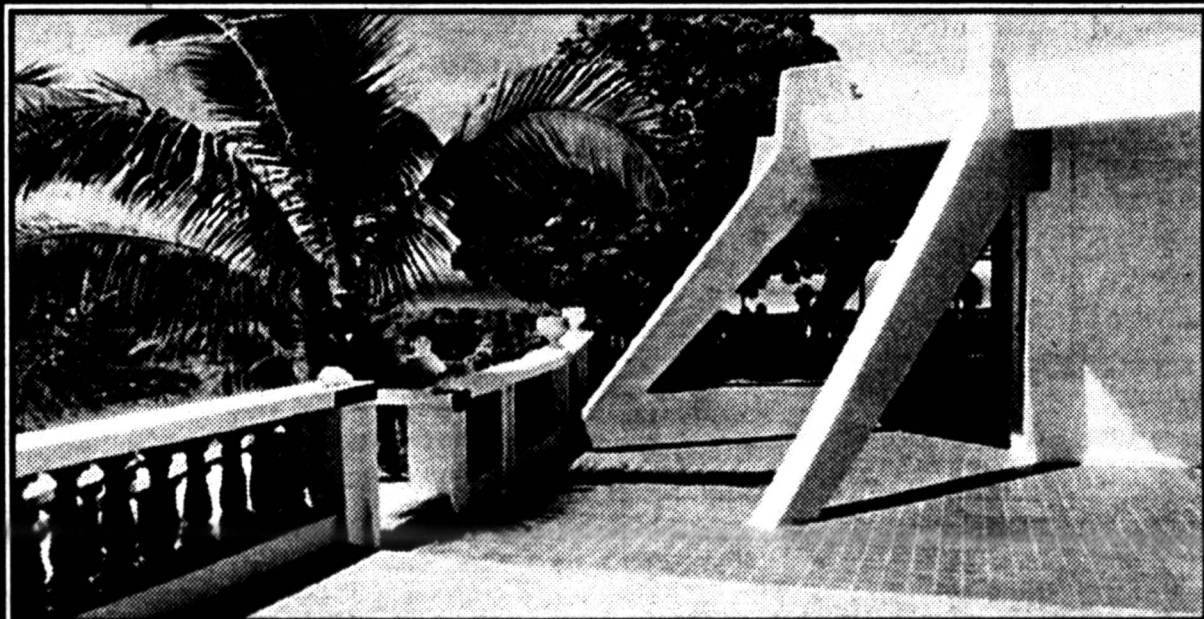
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### CARMEL • \$1,895,000

NEW LISTING! Enchanting "English Country" cottage in a secluded setting on Carmel Point. Like new and rich in detail, this 3 bd/2.5 ba, 1600 sq. ft. classic offers weathered open beam ceilings, 2 Carmel stone fireplaces, several sets of French doors overlooking a private garden courtyard and a master suite with a wonderful observation deck that has ocean views peeking thru majestic Cypress trees.

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### PEBBLE BEACH • \$2,595,000

Set high on a very private, one acre, park-like setting and only two blocks to The Lodge, this home offers ocean views and amazing architecture. This stunning contemporary is only 12 years old and has over 5000 sq. ft. of living space. Magnificent "great room" with soaring ceilings and lots of natural light, four bedrooms, four and one-half baths, separate office, library hallway, loft retreat, an abundance of decking and patios, guest house with laundry and kitchen, workshop, 2-car garage and carport. Great for entertaining, this residence must be experienced!

### PEBBLE BEACH • \$2,150,000

NEW LISTING! On the 12th Fairway, this newly constructed end unit offers expansive golf course views and countless amenities geared for the next millennium. This 3 bd/3.5 ba, 3200+ sq. ft. town-home enjoys one of the largest interior courtyards and terrace areas. Partial ocean view, gourmet kitchen, magnificent chestnut hardwood floors, extensive upgrades...the features are endless!

### SEASIDE • \$219,995

NEW LISTING! Extra nice, newly remodeled and neat as a pin home that is ready for you to move into. Close to schools, on a level 50' x 75' lot, 2 bd/1 ba, fireplace in the living room, floors of hardwood and carpeting, atrium windows, security alarm, deck, patio, nicely landscaped, storage shed and laundry area in the one car, attached garage.

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# Carmel Pine Cone Open Houses

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\$329,900	2bd 1.5ba	Sa & Su 1-4
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\$479,000	2bd 1ba	Su 1:30-3:30
24844 Dolores St	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$514,900	2bd 2ba	Sa 1:30-3:30
Santa Fe NW of 3rd	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$525,000	2bd 1ba	Su 11-1
San Carlos 3rd SW of 12th	Carmel	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$685,000	3bd 2ba	Sa Su 12-5
Santa Rita 3 NW of 3rd	Carmel	
By Owner	622-7300	
\$829,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
2 SE Torres & Mountain View	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$949,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1:30-4
Junipero 3 NE / 3rd	Carmel	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$1,035,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-4
Santa Fe 2 SW of 3rd	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$1,250,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-4
Santa Fe 3 SE 4th	Carmel	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$1,295,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4 Su 1-4
Monte Verde 5 SW 5th	Carmel	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$1,350,000	4bd 3.5ba	Sa 2-4 Su 1-3
3425 Mountain View	Carmel	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$1,395,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 11-1
3385 Martin Rd	Carmel	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$1,600,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 12-1 Su 2-4
25706 Hatton Rd	Carmel	
John Saar Properties	622-7227	
\$1,695,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-2 Su 1-3
Carmelo 4 SW of 4th	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$1,775,000	5bd 4.5ba	Sa 2-4
3345 7th Ave	Carmel	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$2,200,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 11-1
SW Cor 2nd & Monte Verde	Carmel	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	

## Carmel Valley

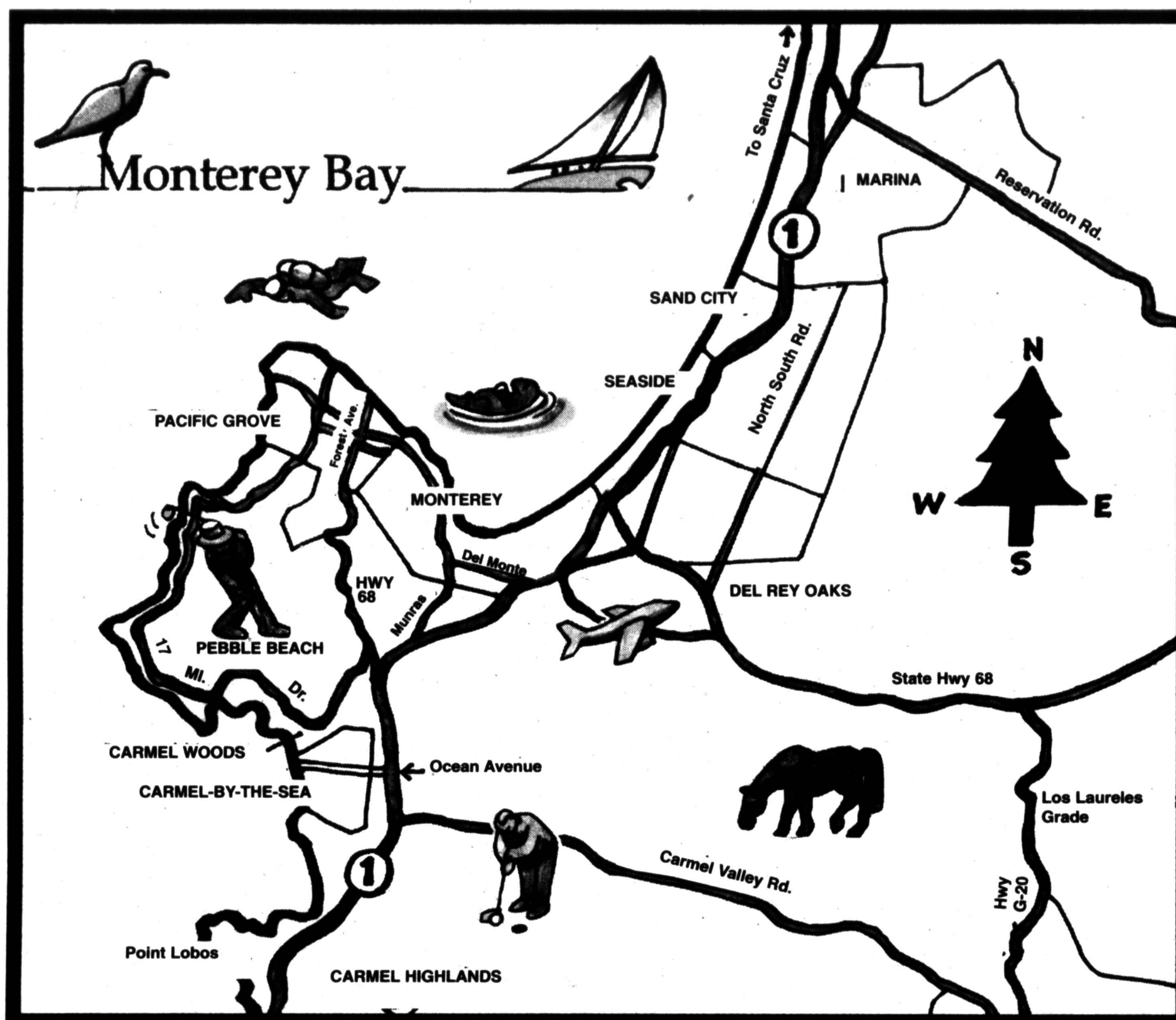
\$255,000		Su 1-3
#170 Hacienda Carmel	Carmel Valley	
Fouratt-Simmons	624-3829	
\$399,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-4
6 Merrill Way	Carmel Valley	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$749,000	4bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4
357 W Carmel Valley Rd	Carmel Valley	
John Saar Properties	622-7227	
\$825,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1-4
31640 La Estrella	Carmel Valley	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$995,000	4bd 4.5ba	Su 1-3
2 Middle Canyon Rd	Carmel Valley	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	

## Carmel Highlands

\$1,700,000	4bd 4.5ba	Su 1-3
#2 Mt. Devon	Carmel Highland	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2221	
\$1,995,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 11-3
46 Yankee Point Drive	Carmel Highland	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	

## Monterey

\$410,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-4
845 Lily	Monterey	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$449,000		Sa & Su 12-3
78 Via Esperanza	Monterey	
Re/Max Monterey Peninsula	625-3535	
\$729,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa & Su 1-3
6 Zaragoza Views	Monterey	
John Saar Properties	622-7227	



## Mty/Salinas Hwy

\$669,900	3bd 2+2ba	Su 2-4
12780 Corte Cordillera	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$695,000	5bd 4ba	Sa 2-4
26005 Ned Lane	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$995,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-2 Su 2-4
25493 Paseo De Cumbre	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2221	
\$1,495,000	5bd 4.5ba	Sa 1-4
26156 Paseo Del Sur	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	

## Pacific Grove

\$338,000	3bd 1ba	Sa 11-1:30
1216 Shafter	Pacific Grove	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$425,000	2bd 1ba	Su 1-4
144 7th St	Pacific Grove	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$479,500	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
709 Junipero x Congress	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$499,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-4
235 Seventeen Mile Drive	Pacific Grove	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$589,000	4bd 2ba	Su 2-5
427 Gibson	Pacific Grove	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$625,000	3bd 2ba	Sa Su 12:30-3
853 Balboa Ave	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	

## Pebble Beach

\$569,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
2810 Congress Rd	Pebble Beach	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2226	
\$595,000		Sa Su 2-4:30
1180 Arroyo Drive	Pebble Beach	
Re/Max Monterey Peninsula	625-9393	
\$619,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
3127 Patio Drive	Pebble Beach	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2226	

\$629,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-3
2864 Forest Lodge Rd	Pebble Beach	
Fred Sands	625-0400	
\$710,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 2-4 Su 1-4
#12 Shepherd's Knoll	Pebble Beach	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$865,000	2bd 3.5ba	Su 1-4
1070 Wranglers Trail	Pebble Beach	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$895,000	4bd 2.5ba	Su 1:30-3:30
4041 Los Altos Drive	Pebble Beach	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2221	
\$895,000	3bd 3ba	Sa & Su 11-3
#4 Spyglass Woods Drive	Pebble Beach	
Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$1,595,000	3bd 3.5ba	Su 1-4
1584 Griffin	Pebble Beach	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	

\$2,150,000	3bd 3.5ba	Su 1-3
#44 Spanish Bay Circle	Pebble Beach	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$2,395,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
1223 Sombria Lane	Pebble Beach	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	

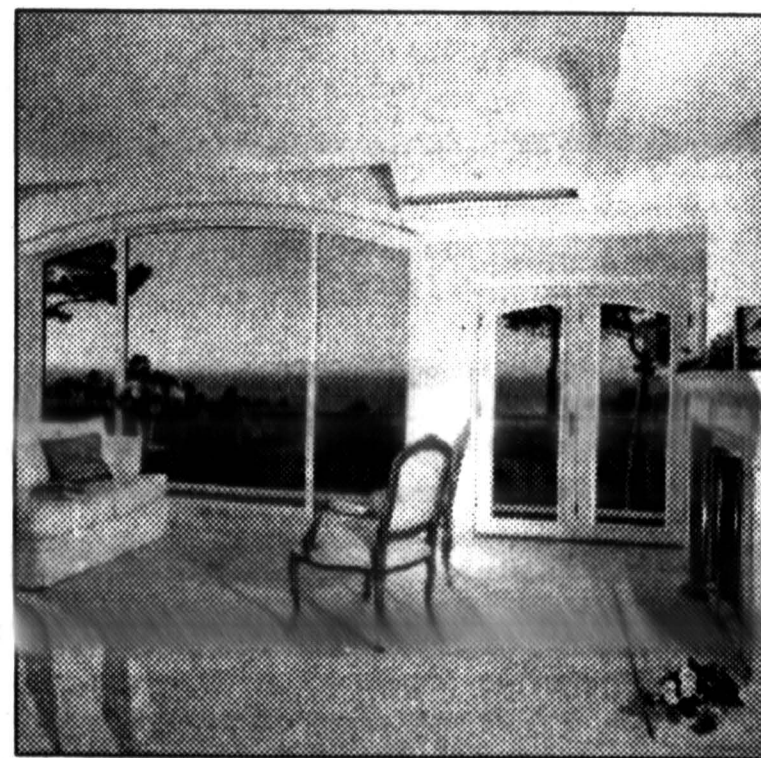
## Seaside

\$219,995	2bd 1ba	Su 1-4
1857 Noche Buena	Seaside	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$365,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
1199 Luxton x Hilby	Seaside	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	

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## REAL ESTATE

# City may trim trees to protect houses

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHEN A giant eucalyptus branch came crashing down on Anita Stewart's Fourth Avenue home during a still summer day, she decided to do something before the tree, or one of its kin, could strike again.

"It was a big branch and one of those rare days when there wasn't a bit of wind and was sunny," she said. The falling branch "felt like an earthquake" when it hit, taking out a small part of the roof, some fence and a plum tree below, according to Stewart.

So she notified the city of her desire to have the trees

trimmed or removed, and backed up her request with a petition signed by her neighbors.

"It's dangerous for anyone walking down Fourth Avenue," she said. "I wish they'd take them out, but I guess that's asking too much."

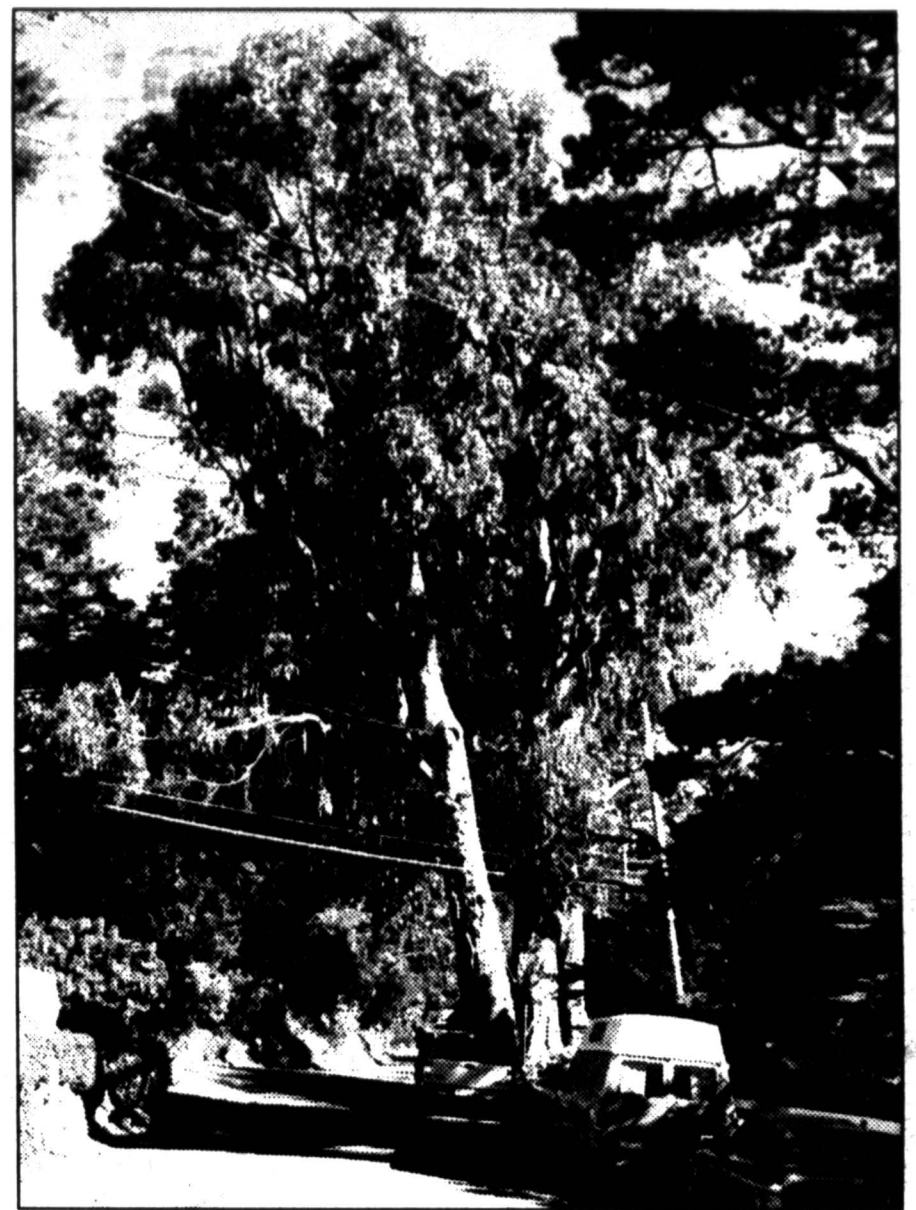
While the city is unwilling to remove the trees — it attempted to do so 30 years ago and was foiled by a court order, forester Gary Kelly said — the eucalyptus will be trimmed so long as the city agrees to pay the bill and the city council approves the plan.

"It's not an inexpensive project," said Kelly, who is currently working with private arborists to come up with an estimate. "It would need approval by the city council and inclusion in the next fiscal year's budget."

Kelly said the pruning project — which might take about two years to complete — will mirror the trimming undertaken more than a decade ago on the 100-year-old eucalyptus on Fourth and several on upper Ocean Avenue.

"It's a pretty dramatic pruning operation — a large amount of foliage is removed — and it's probably not the proper way that one would prune an otherwise healthy tree," he said. "But because of their proximity to houses and the street, it's probably a safe option."

The cost of the project will be included in the forest and beach department's budget requests for next year, which will be submitted in April. The city council will likely hear the proposal in May or June, Kelly said.



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A row of 20 aging eucalyptus has residents of 4th Street worried about falling limbs even on days with no wind.

## AMENDMENTS

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### Sequence of Development Scenarios Strategy:

In order to meet the key design objectives of the Design Traditions Project, the city's development systems should be tuned such that construction choices will progress from one in which smaller, traditional buildings are retained and open space and trees are preserved, in the following manner:

#### Preferred Option: Conservation with limited expansion

Where a building exists that contributes to neighborhood character, it should be retained, when feasible. Appropriate minor additions and alterations could occur to accommodate new needs.

#### Second Option: Conservation with expansion to maximum floor area

If the preferred option is not feasible, then the existing building would still be retained but a larger addition would be constructed, perhaps to the maximum total floor area permitted on the site.

#### Third Option: Construction of a new home to less than the maximum floor area, above ground

If the second option is not feasible, then a new house would be constructed, but to a total floor area less than the maximum permitted, above ground. The total floor area may be less than permitted, or some of the space may be located in a garden or basement level such that the above-ground mass is reduced.

#### Last Option: Construction of a new home to the maximum floor area, above ground

In the least desirable approach, a new building is constructed, potentially to the maximum floor area permitted, and all of the space is located above ground, such that the largest mass results.

### Relationship to parcel size

In each case, it is also preferred that the scenario be played out on a large parcel, in which multiple lots are kept together, rather than dividing it into several smaller sites and constructing more than one house. For example, the preferred choice on a large lot would be to keep an existing building and execute minor additions, while retaining the remainder of the lot as open space.

For a vacant parcel, the Third Option, "Construction of a new house with reduced mass," would typically be the preferred scenario.

#### Balancing the regulations and incentives

The amendments to the Land Use Code that are presented in this paper are organized in "packages," in which the incentives are tuned to encourage the sequence of development scenarios described above. For example, when flexibility in building setbacks is offered, a greater degree of discretion is given to scenarios that include conservation of a build-

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## TRACKS

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ing that contributes to neighborhood character, as compared with the incentive offered for construction of a new building with reduced above-ground mass.

Therefore, if any adjustments to these incentives are considered, the effect on this prioritizing of development scenarios should also be evaluated to avoid unintended consequences.

### Three Design Review Tracks

The Design Review System should be organized in three tracks which correspond to the complexity of review or to the degree of design flexibility that is sought for an individual project.

#### Review Track 1: Review and decision by staff

Reviews are conducted by staff. All of the relevant Land

Use Code provisions and Design Guidelines must be met. Flexibility is available only where clearly defined by prescriptive standard that can be measured.

#### Procedure:

Once staff receives a complete application, they will have a specified amount of time to make a decision. Public notice would be filed that the staff is considering the application and any interested party may come to the planning department to view the project and make comments. These comments would become a part of the record.

At any time that staff or the applicant is concerned about the nature of the project or the interpretation of the standards and guidelines, the project may be scheduled before the Planning Commission for discussion.

This is the most expeditious level of review. It is provided for owners with simple projects and for small additions in order to proceed through the process quickly and with a high degree of predictability.

#### Eligible projects:

- Minor alterations to existing buildings with no expansion in floor area
- Additions to buildings of less than 200 square feet
- Additions that increase floor area less than 10%
- Additions that increase a building footprint by less than

10%.

- To be eligible, a project must also be exempt from CEQA

#### Review Track 2: Review decision by Design Review Committee

This track of review is designed for projects that could have a significant impact on the context or in which the applicant seeks to make use of incentives that are available under conditions that require interpretation of compatibility with the context.

Preliminary reviews would be conducted by staff and then referred to the Planning Commission for concept review. Final Review would be conducted by the Design Review Committee.

#### Procedure:

Once staff receives a completed application, it is scheduled for concept review before the planning commission. At this stage, comments are received about mass and scale. When the Commission approves the concept level of design, it also provides instructions to the Design Review Committee about issues to address in the Final Phase of review.

The Design Review Committee then makes the Final Phase decision. Public notice is provided for both steps in the review process. Review fees should be higher than Level 1, to reflect the added work effort.

Greater flexibility in interpretation of the guidelines and in the application of incentives is available at this level of review. While it may take some additional time, the outcome, at least in terms of minimum standards, is relatively predictable. This process is very similar to the existing design study procedures.

#### Eligible projects:

- Large additions to existing buildings
- Major remodels
- Construction of a new building

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### BAY AND CITY LIGHTS

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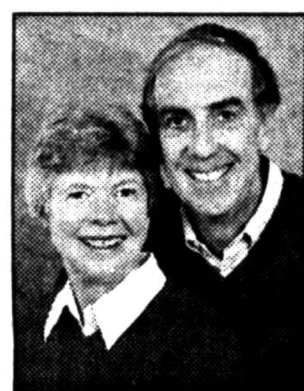
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## PERMITS

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■ Any minor project which the applicant or staff feels should be considered by the committee

Track 2 Design Review provides a medium level of discretion and flexibility. The outcome has a relatively high degree of predictability, but because some discretion is involved, the review process takes a little longer than Track 1.

### Review Level 3: Review decision by Planning Commission

This level of review is designed for complex projects and for those in which the applicant seeks special exceptions from certain standards and guidelines. Exceptions might be sought because of unique site conditions or because they believe the overall design will be compatible with the context

even though it does not directly meet some of the standards and guidelines. Specific standards that could be altered through this process include setbacks, number of stories, height and coverage. This is a "Planned Development" process.

### Procedure:

Both the Concept Stage and Final Stage of design review are conducted by the Planning Commission, which also issues approvals at both stages.

Public notice is provided for both stages and public hearings are held at both stages as well.

The policy statements in the design guidelines serve as the basic principles for determining appropriateness of the project. In addition certain LUC provisions such as floor area ratio would remain fixed.

### Eligible projects:

■ Any project in which the applicant seeks a Planned Development process

### Planned Development Submittal Requirements:

Depending upon the nature of the design and the impacts created, the city may have additional submittal requirements, including:

- Model of the proposed buildings and its site
- Neighborhood-block plan
- Documentation that the applicant has notified neighbors of the proposal
- Documentation of comments from neighbors, including comments on exceptions
- Narrative explaining how the city's design objectives are met
- Higher fees to offset increased processing costs

Track 3 Design Review is less predictable than Tracks 1 and 2, but greater flexibility is available. Applicants may apply for this process when they contend that their project meets then design objectives without directly meeting specific design standards and guidelines. The process takes longer than the other options.

## POLICE LOG

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have been driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. She was arrested by the CHP.

**Carmel area:** Someone set a trash can on fire, broke a fence and smeared feces on the front door at Carmel High School.

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a two male adults arguing on San Carlos about a female and somebody stating, "I'm going to shoot you." Area checked, gone upon arrival.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Man requested assistance in finding his wife. She was located in her hotel room.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of defacement to city water tanks located within Mission Trails Park. The water tanks had graffiti spray-painted on the surface with various inscriptions. Some of the defacement was preexisting; however, some was new. Follow-up pending with Public Works.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Driver pulled over for speeding and found to have a suspended license. Vehicle towed and impounded by Carmel Chevron for 30 days.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle stopped on a mechanical violation. Driver found to have an active felony warrant out of Monterey Superior Court for unlawful possession of a controlled substance. He was arrested and his vehicle was towed. He was able to secure bail.

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Woman involved in a single-vehicle collision on First at Dolores for DUI arrested for driving under the influence.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Woman reported her vehicle burglarized on Rio Road. A window was smashed and \$119 in currency and property was taken.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a smashed window in a vehicle parked on Monte Verde. Nothing of value was stolen.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Man reported unknown suspect entered his unlocked vehicle on Seventh Avenue. The only item missing was a set of keys to the vehicle, which were left on the floor of the vehicle.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report that someone entered All Saints Church (which was unlocked) and forced a small lock off a donation box and took the money, which was about \$4. No suspects or evidence.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Man reported he received a call from an "Angela" who stated she was from "Upside Cellular" and that she was calling in regards to a new cellular plan offered by Cellular One. He forwarded the caller to his wife, who gave the caller some personal information about herself.

As of this date, neither has heard anything further from Upside Cellular and he was concerned that his wife's information could be fraudulently used. He was counseled concerning some follow-up activity he could do to protect the information and find out if there has been any fraud.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of cones blocking a parking spot on Mission. Public Works called and stated they were unaware of any reason for the cones to be present. Cones were not marked so they were collected.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Santa Lucia resident reported that a neighbor has two dogs that bark and wake her up. This happens early in the morning and only lasts 10-15 min. Advised her the noise would have to be continuous. She understood. Information only.

**Carmel area:** Woman reported seeing two juveniles trying to jimmy a lock on a white convertible vehicle in the parking lot of Albertsons in the Carmel Rancho Center. The juveniles said the vehicle belonged to their father. When she

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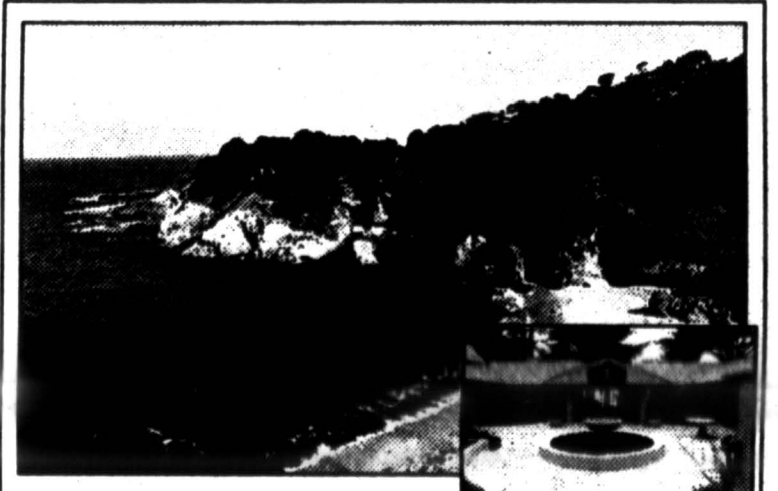
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returned outside, the vehicle was gone. No one reported the vehicle missing.

**Pebble Beach:** Resident reported that her boyfriend pulled her hair, grabbed her throat and threatened her. No injuries were reported. Boyfriend left for the evening. Both were counseled.

**Carmel area:** Inspiration Avenue resi-

dent reported she and her husband were involved in a verbal argument that did not become physical.

**Carmel Valley:** Unknown person(s) sabotaged the rainwater drain culvert in front of Chateau Julien. A round metal disc was shoved up the culvert, causing a back-up of rain water.

**Carmel area:** Person reported losing a white file box with the name "Perma Files" printed on the outside of the paper file box.

**Carmel area:** Carmel Riviera resident

reported someone removed a large bush from her front yard sometime during the past week.

**Carmel Valley:** A man struck a woman in Carmel Valley.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Person on the grounds of the Junipero Serra School during school hours was asked to leave several times. He said he was looking for a teacher who had asked him to stick around. He didn't know the name of the teacher or who she was. He was told to stay off the school grounds.

**Carmel Valley:** Man threw items at a woman which struck her legs.

**Pebble Beach:** Presidio Road resident reported a civil problem with a painter.

**Carmel area:** A Carmel woman reported she was involved in a domestic dispute with her husband on 11/15/99. During the argument, he threw her backwards, causing her to hit her back and neck on the headboard of her bed. Case continues.

**Carmel area:** El Caminito resident reported her landlady trespasses, has caused disturbances and discouraged her from pursuing this complaint. Case continues.

**Carmel area:** Two juveniles aged 10 and 11 reported that two 18-20-year-old men were taunting them, saying they were going to "get" them. They stopped their car, got out, motioned toward the boys but then left the area. The boys ran home.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

**Carmel area:** Yankee Point Drive resident reported an elevator alarm was activated in her home at 0430 hours. Her house is currently being remodeled and she lives

upstairs. She thought the alarm might have been activated by a trespasser, but did not see or hear anyone in the house. She has been having civil problems with a workman who is working next door. Report taken as a matter of record.

**Carmel area:** Camino Real resident reported having a civil dispute with her landlord.

**Carmel area:** Office manager for a construction company reported that someone entered the construction site located on the east side of Highway 1 at the Rocky Creek Bridge and removed an arc welding machine. Occurred during the night. Lincoln brand, red in color, valued at \$4,000.

**Carmel area:** Fairfield Place resident reported he received several suspicious phone calls from a bail bond company. The caller said that he could help out the man in bailing out his nephew with the same name. The man said he did not have a nephew with that name. The bail bond company said they only called the number that was given to them.

**Carmel area:** Carmel PD requested a welfare check on a Carpenter Street resident who said she was alone and confused. Check completed revealed that her husband went to the post office and returned prior to deputy's arrival.

**Carmel Valley:** Enforced a Sonoma County Superior Court order regarding child custody, against the defendant.

**Pebble Beach:** El Bosque resident reported the theft of medication from her bathroom cabinet.

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**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Person reported a former business partner cashed a check

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without her knowledge. The partner was on the account at the time of the incident. She was advised to take the partner off the account and seek legal advice.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a suspicious voice mail message. No crime. Information only.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a suspicious person inside a Junipero residence. Contacted the person, who had a legal right to be on the premises.

**Pebble Beach:** Pebble Beach Security reported an unknown person found an electronic camera-type device and left it at the Carmel Gate.

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of juveniles throwing pumpkins at cars. Area checked, unable to locate.

**Carmel Valley:** Responded to White

Oaks Campground regarding 10 to 20 male adults possibly poaching in the area. Contacted 12, who were hunting for tree squirrels. All the individuals had valid hunting licenses and possessed the legal limit of tree squirrels.

**Pebble Beach:** Los Altos Drive resident reported he had given permission to an acquaintance to use his laptop computer. The man did not return the computer.

**Carmel Valley:** While conducting a welfare check at an address on Paso Cresta, a blue Toyota Tercel parked behind the patrol car. The driver got out of the car and stumbled her way up to the house. Deputy could smell the odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from her person. The driver returned to her car and drove to the next driveway. Conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle. CHP responded and arrested the driver for DUI.

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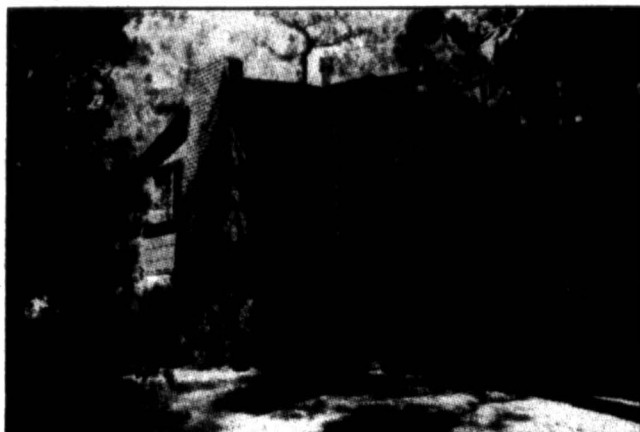




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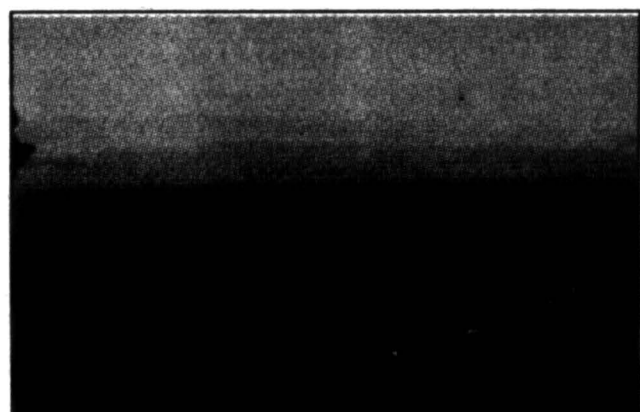
**OCEAN VIEWS + DOUBLE LOT!** See this charming ocean-view cottage with the character of old Carmel. Amenities include high open-beam ceilings, a natural wood interior, two fireplaces, 2 bedrooms, bath and a double-size lot. Just five blocks to downtown Carmel. A trustee sale, the property is to be sold "as is". \$529,000.

**ARTIST'S RETREAT!** Just listed! This classic 3-bedroom, 3-bath Carmel cottage with stained-glass windows, French doors, fireplace framed by an antique carved mantel and wood floors, has the charm that you've been searching for. On two lots, including garden room, large separate guest quarters, Carmel-stone patios and outdoor river rock fireplace. \$625,000.



**A RARE FIND!** This charming and private Carmel Village hide-a-way is in a wonderful setting only steps to town. The eleven-year-old home with 2 bedrooms and 2 baths offers vaulted cathedral ceilings, two fireplaces, dual-pane windows throughout, hardwood floors in both the kitchen and dining area, and French doors off the private master suite. \$829,000.

**JUST LISTED!** Fabulous Point Lobos views from this brand new multi-level Mission-style home with elevator. Features include 2 bedroom, 3-1/2 baths, two Carmel-stone fireplaces, hi-technology sound system, marble throughout the bathrooms, hand-plastered interior and a separate guest quarters. Outside there are over 1000 sq ft of decks and patios. Scheduled for late December completion. \$1,395,000.



**JACKS PEAK ESTATE!** Monterey Bay views go on and on from this home situated in prestigious Jacks Peak. Views from nearly every room include Pacific Grove, Monterey harbor and beach to Santa Cruz! Three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths in the main house, plus a separate guest house with its own two-car garage. On more than four acres of pine forest and meadows. \$1,975,000.

**MASTERPIECE IN THE MAKING!** Meticulously crafted home in the making in

"south of Ocean Avenue" area. On an oversized 5100+ sq. ft. corner lot is this 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home. It features an open-beamed living room, dining room, family room, gourmet kitchen & breakfast nook. Plus hardwood flooring, thinwall plaster walls, custom cabinets doors & Carmel-stone patio. Just steps to the beach and a stroll to town. December completion. \$2,225,000.

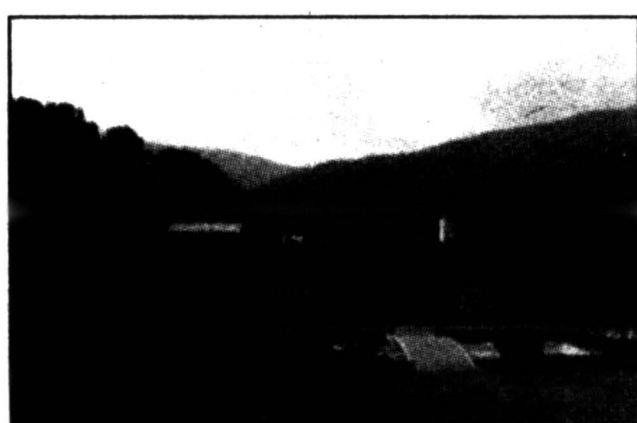
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**FABULOUS OCEAN VIEWS!** A spacious, light, bright and dramatic home built with all the modern conveniences. It includes 3 bedrooms, 3-1/2 baths, a family room, kitchen with breakfast room, a large loft/office, sun room and two view decks. On a beautifully landscaped and fenced south-facing .4-acre lot with brick paths. Automatic electric gate leads to the 3-car garage. \$1,395,000.

**OCEANFRONT ESTATE!** A charming, custom-built residence with a private access road. On a dramatic 1.89-acre coastline site, it captures unobstructed, breathtaking water views from most rooms. The vaulted-ceiling living room offers view windows. The family room and kitchen have brick floors and hand-hewn open-beam ceilings. This 4-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home includes private beach access. A rare opportunity! \$3,500,000.

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**NEW LISTING!** Well sited 3-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home on 2-1/2 acres capturing ocean, mountain & valley views. Den, living room with fireplace, family/dining combo, ample view deck & two large partially finished rooms. Circular drive. \$585,000.

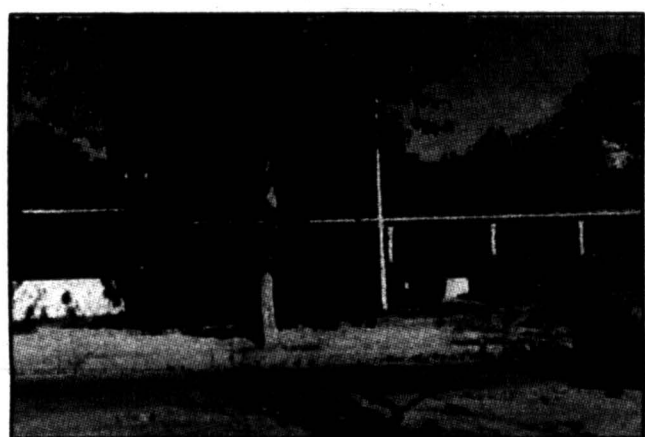
**FABULOUS VALLEY MANSION!** Inside prestigious Sleepy Hollow subdivision, a dramatic English Country Tudor home on 7 acres overlooking the mountains. Designed for comfortable living & lavish entertaining with terraces

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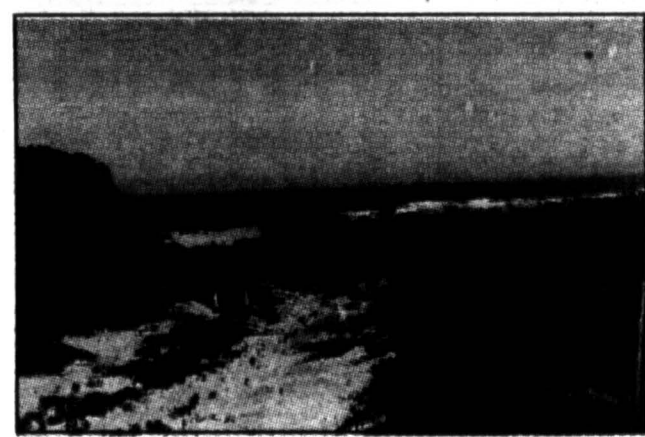
**SPECTACULAR VIEWS!** This hilltop estate on approximately 2.5 acres has expansive windows for spectacular views of the bay and Salinas Valley! This traditional 3-bedroom, 3-bath home features a separate dining room and family room. The in-law quarters above the two-car garage is in addition to the separate senior home that is so private, you'll think it belongs to a neighbor. \$895,000.

**NEW LISTING!** In one of Monterey's historic and beautiful areas is this spacious, well-designed and quality upgraded 4-bedroom, 4-bath home on over a .70 acre site. Features include a family room, dining room, large office & separate guest quarters. The kitchen is truly the heart of this home with bay windows, granite counters, marble fireplace and French doors that open to a private patio and yard bordering greenbelt. \$998,000.



**YOUR CHOICE!** Located in a desirable area, this charming 3-bedroom, 3-bath bungalow was originally a private residence and has since been used as a commercial property. You are greeted by wood shutters, high ceilings and a majestic fireplace. It could once again be used as a home with a use permit. With all the possibilities this property has to offer, you won't want to hesitate! \$625,000.

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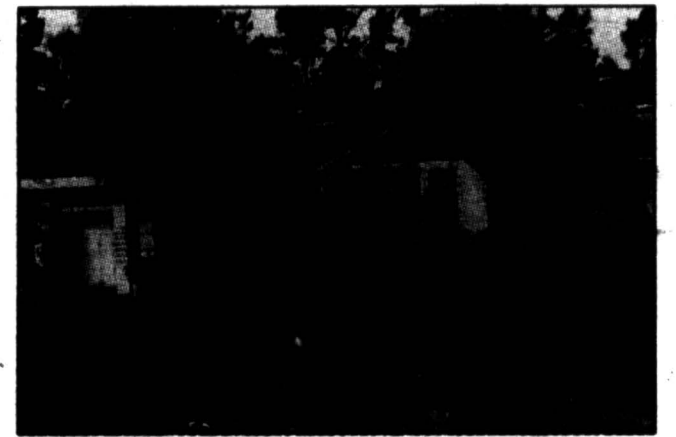
**CAUTION! SPLASHING WAVES!** Here's a rare opportunity to own this beachfront acre with development permits from the city and California Coastal Commission for a 3650 sq.ft. residence and a 650 sq.ft. garage. This oceanfront site is adjacent to acres of open space and rocky Asilomar coastline. A home here would be one of only two homes on the west side of this stretch of shoreline. \$3,900,000.

**NEW LISTING!** Wonderful value and in good condition, this 2-bedroom home is three blocks from Washington Park. There is a fireplace in the living room, a bonus room off the one-car garage and a nice private backyard. Hurry, this opportunity won't last very long! \$379,000.

**JUST REDUCED!** Enjoy this cute and cozy cottage in the heart of town! Offering 3-bedrooms, 1-bath and a spacious living room with a free-standing, wood-burning fireplace. On a wonderful useable parcel with a built-in brick barbecue in the backyard. This is truly a unique one-of-a-kind investment opportunity. \$319,000.

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**GREENBELT VIEWS!** Fantastic opportunity to buy in a coveted location near MPCC! Check out this 2200 sq.ft. home with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, wonderful family room with second fireplace, formal dining room and more. Good cul-de-sac-like location with peaceful view of greenbelt. Great possibilities with just a little polish! \$639,000.

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**PEBBLE BEACH CHATEAU!** For anyone wanting elegance of home, superb grounds and a prime location, this property is the solution. Built in 1990, the gated property of a .80 acre site features a floor plan of over 6200 sq.ft., 5 bedrooms, 4-1/2 baths and a three-car garage. Close to golf and The Lodge, this John Matthams-designed chateau is one of the best estates in one of the most desired areas. \$3,100,000.

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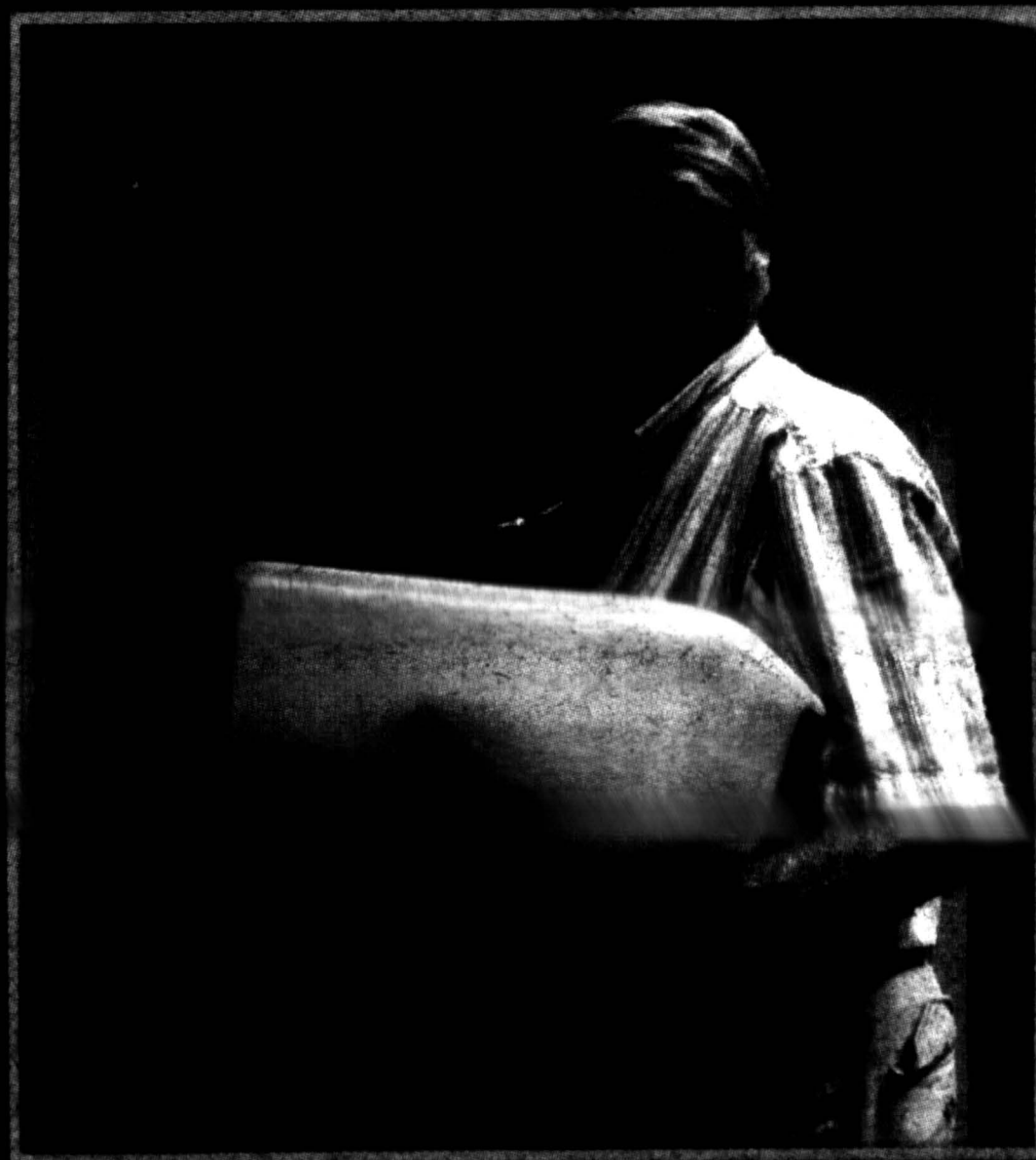
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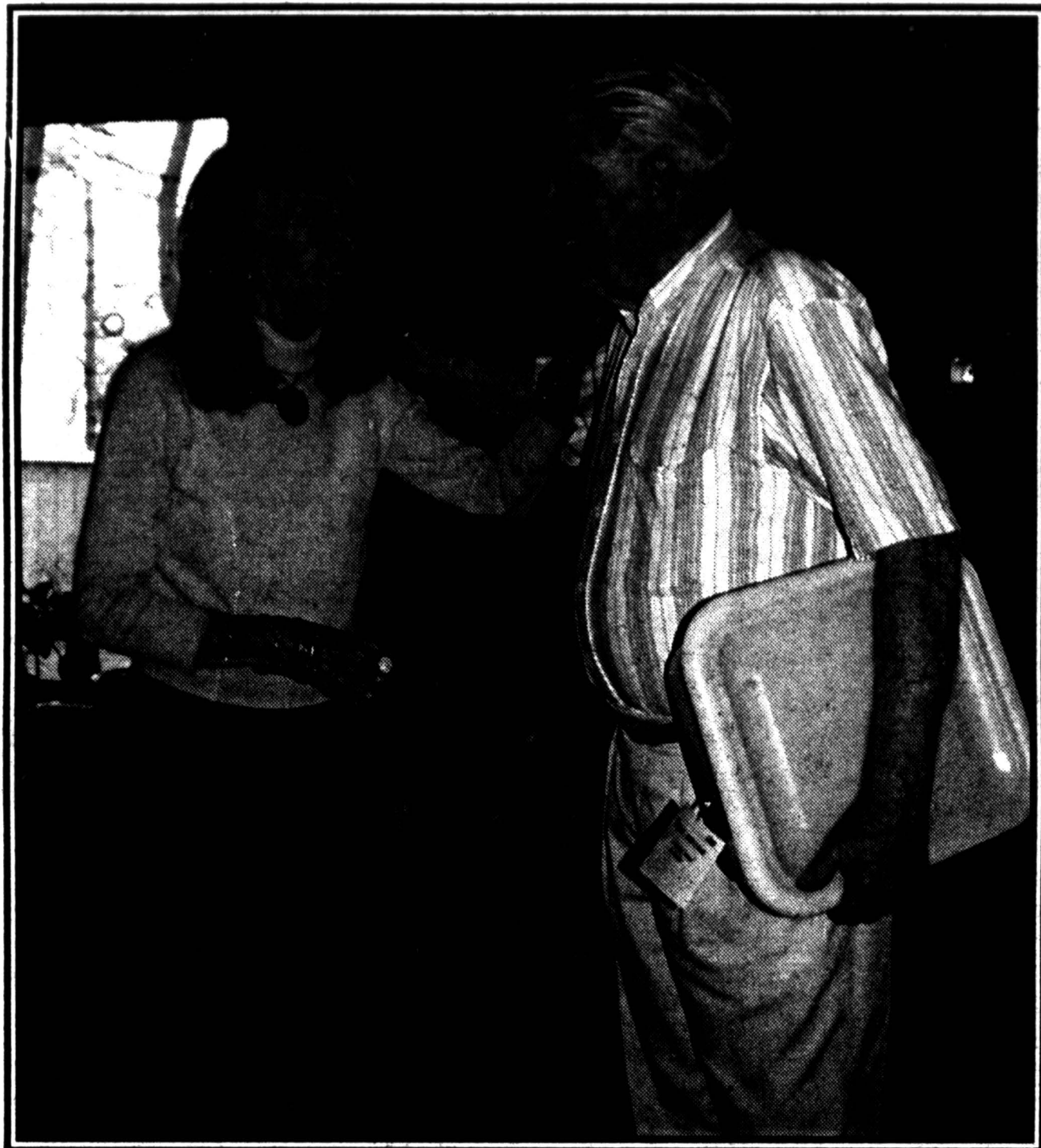
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Giving & Getting





# Super volunteer Chuck Poland brings meals and good cheer to seniors all year 'round



Dr. Marijana Mirkovic, one of 13 seniors along the Carmel route, always looks forward to some light-hearted banter with her good-natured Meals on Wheels delivery man, Chuck Poland.

By TAMARA GRIPPI

**A**T 80 YEARS old, Carmelite Chuck Poland is a dynamo for Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula, bringing breakfast, lunch and dinner to elderly residents along 26 different routes every day of the week.

"He's the backbone of Meals on Wheels," said Leslie Kern, the volunteer coordinator for the organization. "He's willing to drive anywhere and everywhere."

A 15-year veteran volunteer, Poland is prepared to take on any of the 26 routes from Marina to the Carmel Highlands. "I guess I'm the only dummy that knows them all," he joked.

With a spring in his step and an remarkable memory, Poland is a favorite among the seniors along his routes. He knows every client by name and takes the time to have a friendly chat with each person he visits.

"When I go home I feel almost 10 feet tall," Poland said. "You're helping somebody make their life a little easier."

For many of the housebound elderly, their Meals on Wheels volunteer is the only person they'll have to talk to during the day. At the holidays, a good meal and a friendly visit are even more

important to a housebound senior. For many, the Meals on Wheels program is the only assurance that they'll have healthy food to eat every day.

"This is the most important thing in my life — I'm housebound," said Cindy Costa, a Carmel resident who's been receiving the meals for the past two years.

Costa is one of 13 Carmel residents who depends on the Meals on Wheels program. The volunteers make one delivery of breakfast foods, including cereal, juice, fruit and milk; lunch foods consisting of a sandwich, salad and dessert; and a hot dinner to over 250 people throughout the Peninsula every day.

An equal number of people from outlying areas come to the Meals on Wheels building in Pacific Grove to eat their meals.

Clients pay \$5 a day for their three meals, and the service is offered at no charge to low-income seniors who can't afford to pay.

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Poland put over 10,000 miles on his trusty Cadillac making deliveries and running errands for Meals on Wheels last year. On a recent delivery trip in Carmel, Poland proved to be a pro,

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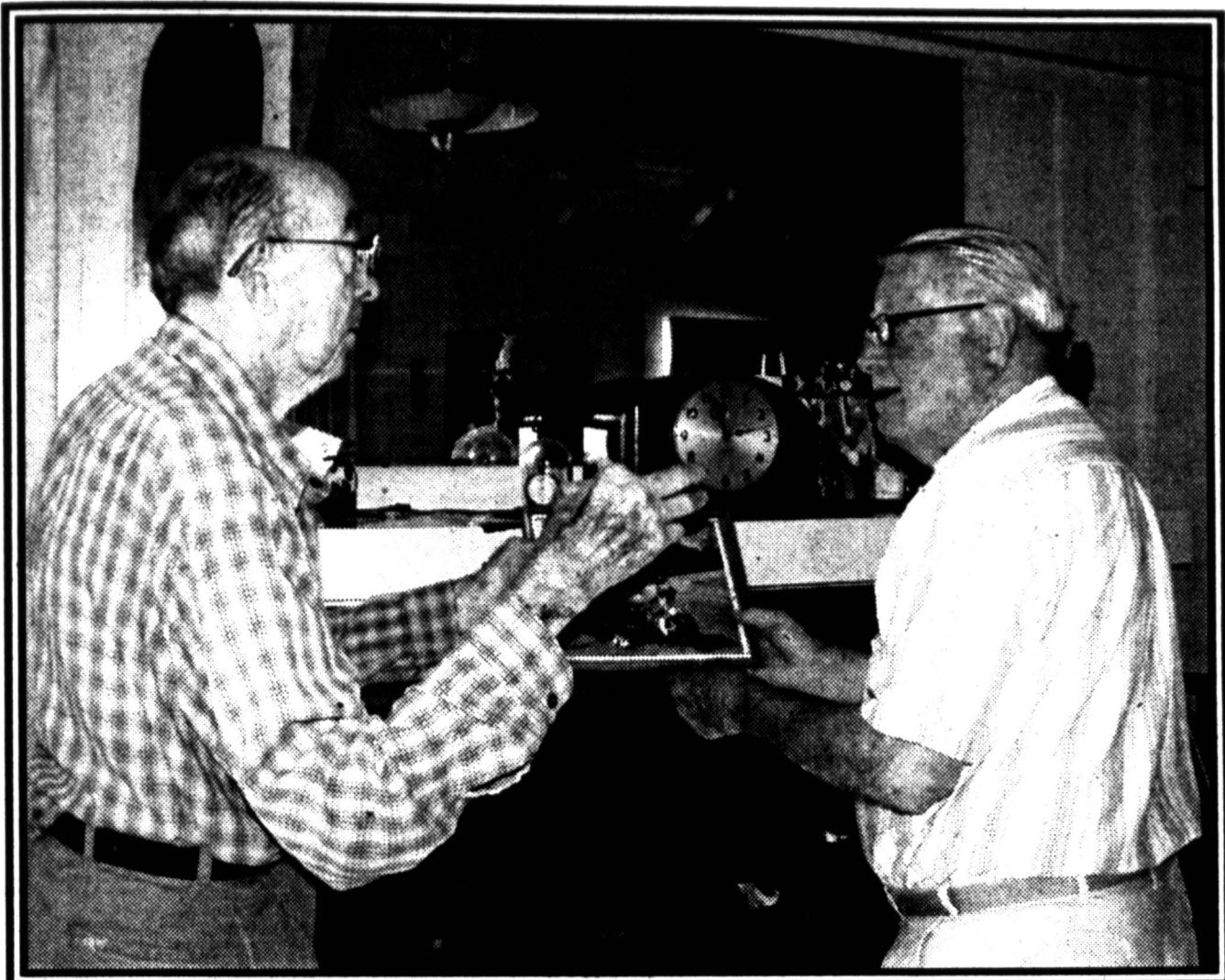
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Chuck Poland, who always takes the time to chat with his clients, listens as Earl Wermuth, a former Carmel police lieutenant, tells a story of the good old days.

maneuvering his way along windy Carmel roads and spotting out-of-the-way cottages.

He cheerfully rapped the "shave and a hair-cut, two bits" knock at every house — his personal calling card — before bringing in a day's worth of food for each client.

"Most of them know me from my knock," he said.

Poland knows that sometimes the recipe for helping his clients involves more than just a good, hot meal. He's

always ready to listen and lend some words of encouragement.

"You've got a lot of strength — I can see it in your eyes," he told a Carmel woman who just lost a family member.

Poland explains that he has to "pep up" some of his clients every time he visits. One man often tells Poland that he just doesn't want to live any more. "I tell him, 'You just have to keep on battling. There are people who love you

See **CHUCK** next page

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## CHUCK

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around here. Don't forget that."

Other times, Poland plays the comic, coaxing smiles out of people. "You better behave yourself," he tells more than one of his seniors. "I don't want to have to pick you up from the police station at midnight. You can call at 12 but not at one."

Poland shows up at the Meals on Wheels center every morning at 8 a.m. He spends the morning helping out

with food preparation and usually wraps up his deliveries at 2:30 p.m. On many days, Poland spends the rest of his afternoon picking up contributions and running other errands for the organization.

Poland is also an enthusiastic fund raiser for the organization. He's been pleasantly surprised in the last couple years by locals who are willing to give as much as \$5,000 to \$15,000 to the non-profit.

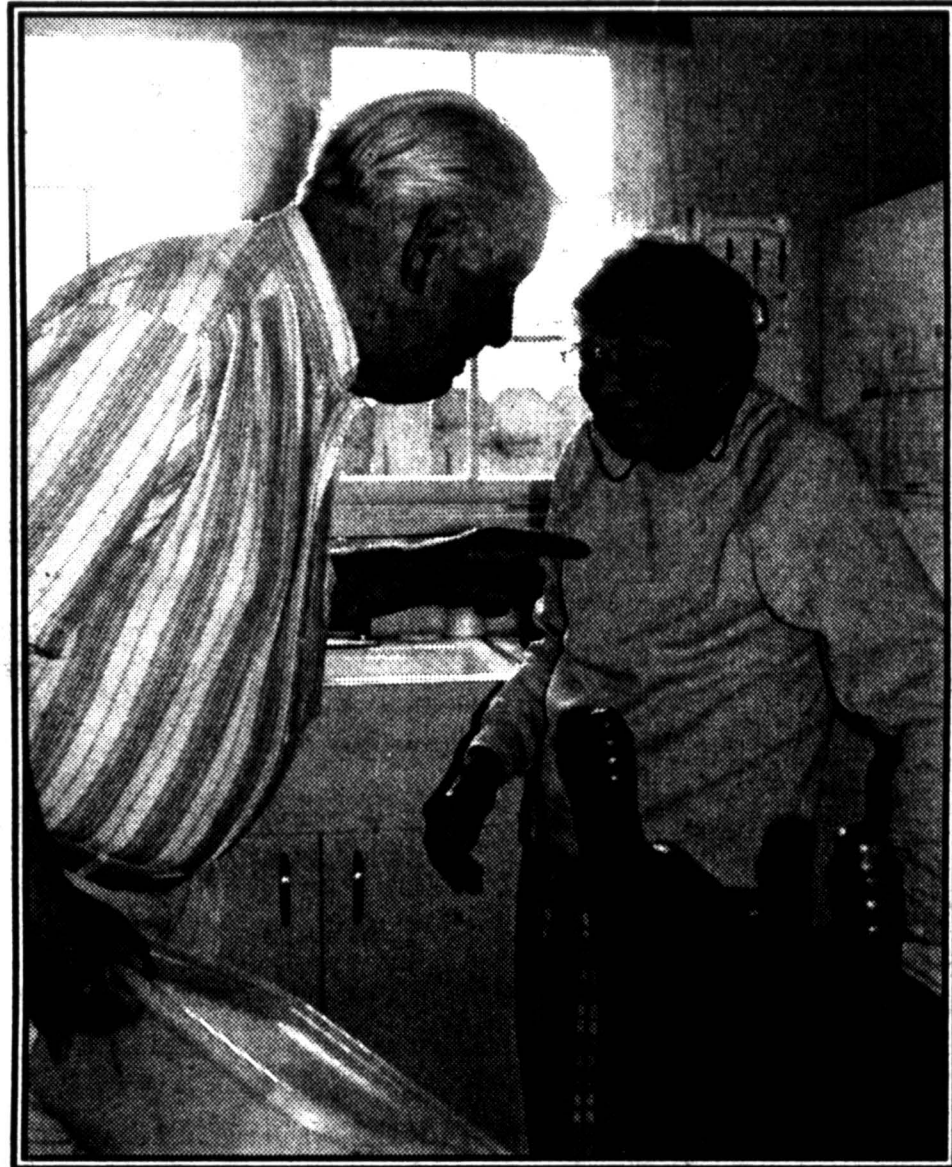
For an 80-year-old retiree, Poland keeps hours dangerously close to a full-time job. Yet he has no plans for slowing down.

Poland explains that from the first time he delivered meals 15 years ago, he was hooked. "I want to help somebody because someday I may need help," he said.

And somewhere along the line, Poland learned a little secret — volunteering keeps you young.

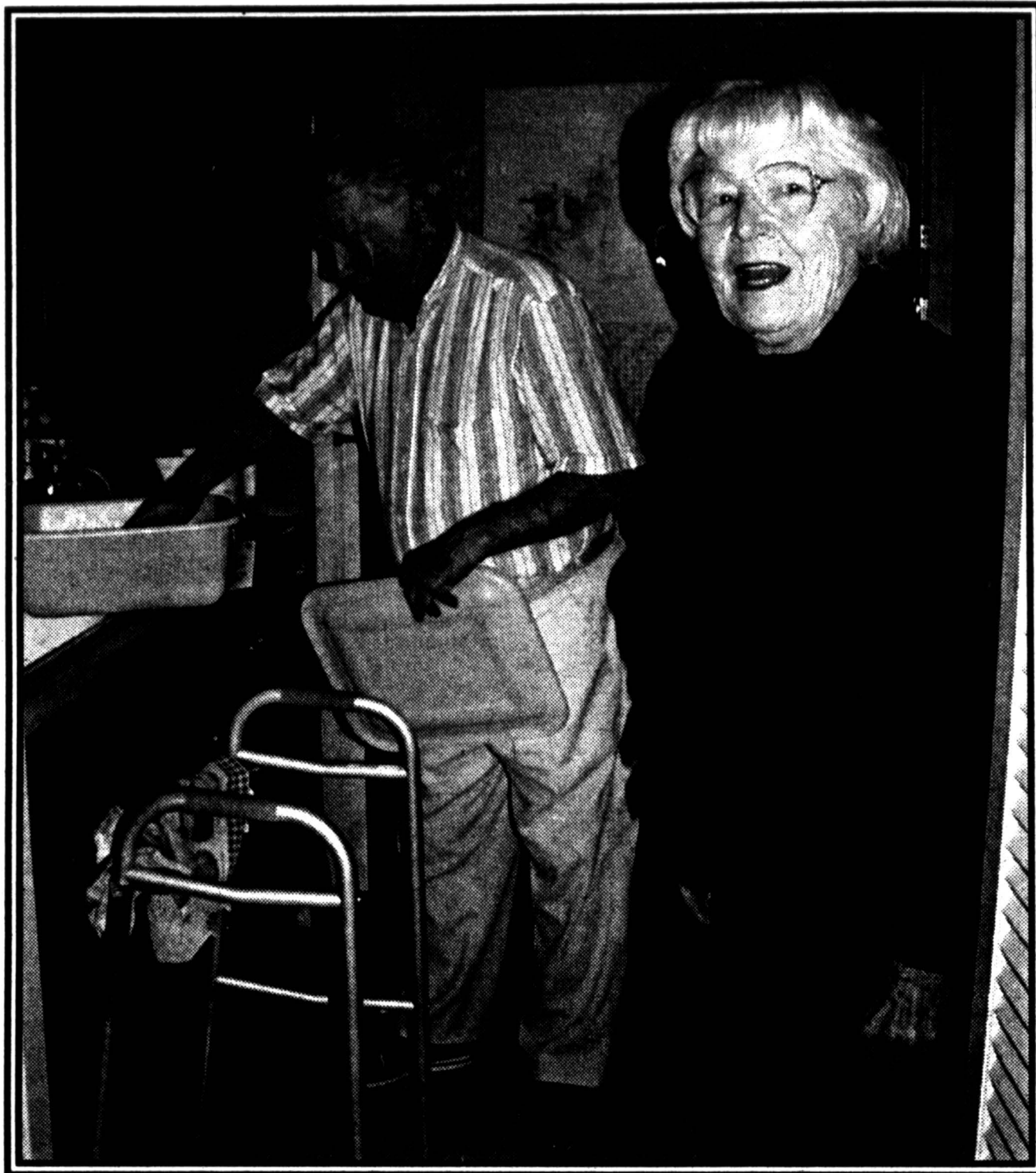
"I think it will make you live longer," he said. "I have a lot of friends who are younger than I am, and they look like old people. And there are very few people who can

keep up with me." ♦



"Now, you be a good girl today," Poland teases Carmel resident Eres Crewe.

*"This is the most important thing in my life," says Carmel resident Cindy Costa (pictured below), who's been relying on Meals on Wheels for the past two years.*



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## of Holiday Happenings

### The Nutcracker

Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 27 and 28, are the dates for the Salinas Performing Arts, Inc. production of "The Nutcracker."

Guest artists Patrick Thornberry and Sarah Lamb from Boston Ballet will be the featured guest artists in this staging of the classic.

Salinas Performing Arts will present a special gala performance of "The Nutcracker" at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26. In addition to a special pre-view performance of the ballet, the evening will feature a dessert buffet, fine wines and champagne, a silent auction and door prizes. There will be an opportunity to meet the cast as well as musical entertainment for your musical and dancing pleasure.

Tickets are the gala are \$35 per person or \$60 per couple.

Regular performances of "The Nutcracker" will be at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at Sherwood Hall, 940 N. Main St., Salinas.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children age 12 and under. Tickets may be purchased at the Sherwood Hall box office.

For the sixth year Dance Kids, Inc. will stage its full-length production of "The Nutcracker." Curtain is at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4 and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 in Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel.

Guest soloists Lisaun Whittingham and A.J. Abrams will be featured, in addition to the corps de ballet of Santa Cruz Ballet Theater and Carmel Repertory Ballet. The cast, 100-strong, is augmented by appearances by the mayors of Carmel and Pacific Grove and their spouses.

A benefit gala for the nonprofit Dance Kids will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 4 at Homescapes Carmel in downtown Carmel, just before that evening's performance. Gala tickets are \$40 for adults and \$30 for children, which includes performance and special seating.

Regular show tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for seniors and children.

Sugar Plum Fairy Parties have been organized for children following the Dec. 4 and 5 matinees. Setting is the Carmel Ballet Academy, Mission and Eighth, Carmel. Stars of "The

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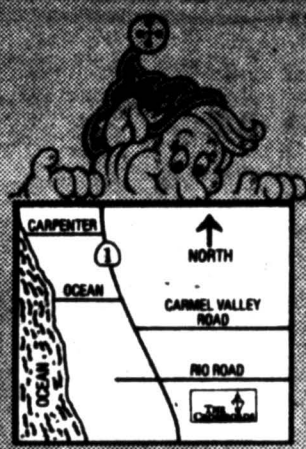


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## That's devotion: three generations ring Salvation Army bell

By MARY BROWNFIELD

**W**HEN IT comes to enticing people to open their wallets during the holiday season, Jann Stout approaches the challenge with unparalleled gusto. She doesn't simply stand outside the Carmel-by-the-Sea post office ringing the Salvation Army bell; she brings an entourage.

Daughter Kiley Stout, at age 9 the youngest bell-ringer of the family, and a 3-year-old great Dane named Maggi — a fawn-colored beast dressed to the nines in a Santa hat and a necklace of bells — accompany Stout on her ringing outings.

The effect is wondrous. Sprawling, Maggi takes up most of the sidewalk. Anyone hoping to pass by without even acknowledging the presence of the token red Salvation Army bucket best avoid Fifth Avenue during the month of December.

Stout has been ringing the Salvation Army bell in Carmel for

three years, focusing her passion for charity work on a tradition made famous by her great aunt Irene.

Irene Sargent, who lived in Oakland and ran an upscale clothing shop there until she died at the age of 90 in May, took bell ringing to unequal heights.

"She earned more than three-quarters of a million dollars for the Salvation Army," Stout said. "She would flag cars down and they would stop and write a check."

Sargent — well known to Bay Area high-rollers who shopped in her store — would send out hand-written invitations to people she wanted to come by on the day she planned to ring the bell that year, according to Stout.

"She rang the bell for 21 years and always rang at 20th and Broadway — they now call it the Irene Sargent Celebrity Bell Ringing Day," she said. "The A's, Warriors and the Mayor would come out."

And on that one day each year, Sargent would raise more money than any single bell-ringer in San Francisco.

Sargent's antics — such as running



PHOTO COURTESY JANN STOUT

Great Dane Maggi, Jann Stout and her daughter Kiley combine their talents in enticing passersby to give generously to the Salvation Army.

into the street and gesticulating wildly to stop passing cars — and her tireless devotion to the cause — she rang the bell up until the year she died — inspired Stout to follow in her great aunt's footsteps.

"I've been doing it because she did it," said Stout, who also packs baskets of food and serves meals at Christmas time for the Salvation Army.

Stout has three daughters, and said the volunteer work teaches them important lessons about charity and helping others.

"I think it's good for kids," she said.

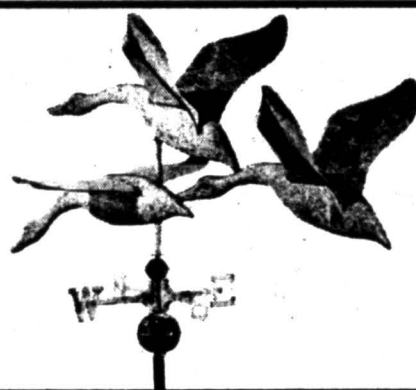
"When my aunt died, she left a ton of money to the Salvation Army, and the band played at her service," she continued. "They brought all of her paraphernalia, like her hat and bell."

Kiley Stout now wears that stiff, blue hat with the Salvation Army logo on the front, suggesting she might be the leader of the third generation of bell-ringers in the family.

"I hope my daughter will want to continue to do it," said Stout, who will grace the sidewalk near the post office on five or six days this holiday season. "I think it's a great thing." ❄

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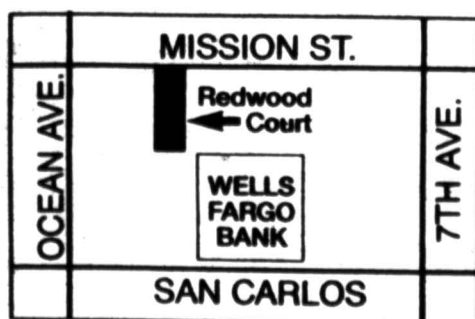
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Salvation Army bell-ringer Irene Sargent, who raised more than \$750,000 in her 21 years of ringing the bell, inspired her grand-niece — Carmelite Jann Stout — to pick up her own bell in the quest to fill the red bucket. Stout's 9-year-old daughter, Kiley, has caught the bug as well.

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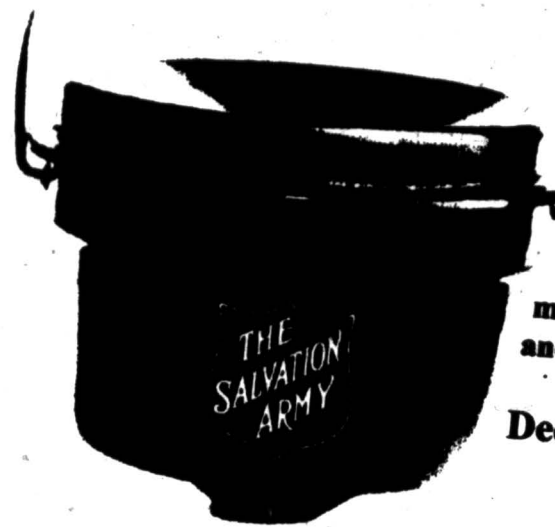
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Join Laurel and Hardy (Robert Colter and Carey Crockett) as they save Christmas, making a piano

delivery to the North Pole in "The Nutcracker Caper."

Unicorn Theatre's Family Fantasy Theater stages this family treat at 2 and 4 p.m. Saturdays and 1 and 3 p.m. Sundays, Dec. 4-5, 11 and 18-19. Setting is the Hoffman Playhouse, 320 Hoffman (at Lighthouse) in New Monterey. All seats are \$5. For reservations, call 649-0259.



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Fritz (Jake Laub) tries to grab the Nutcracker away from young Clara (Natalie Gomez) in the Dance Kids production of the holiday classic. Looking on are Harlequin (Marielle Murphy), Jester (Kristina Kazansky) and Harlequin (Dana Ward).

Ballet Fantastique of the Monterey Peninsula will present a full-length "The Nutcracker" at 8 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18-19 in King Hall at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey.

A cast of more than 50 will dance in this magical and colorful tale set to Tchaikovsky's famed score.

Oakland Ballet guest stars Mario Alonzo and Jeanene Fogel-Hertz will perform the "Sugarplum Pas de Deux." Monique Taziri and Deva Ly of Dancer's Studio, Los Angeles, will perform the "Snow Pas de Deux."

The production is directed and choreographed by Kira and Milou Ivanovsky.

Tickets are \$15 for center seating, \$12 for adult general side seating, \$10 students and seniors and \$8 for children 12 and under. Tickets are available at Bay Books, Bookmark, Clara's Attic, Joy-Per's Shoes. For more information, call 372-0388.



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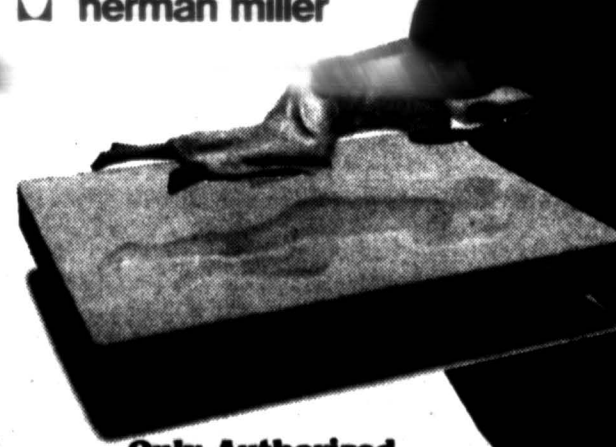
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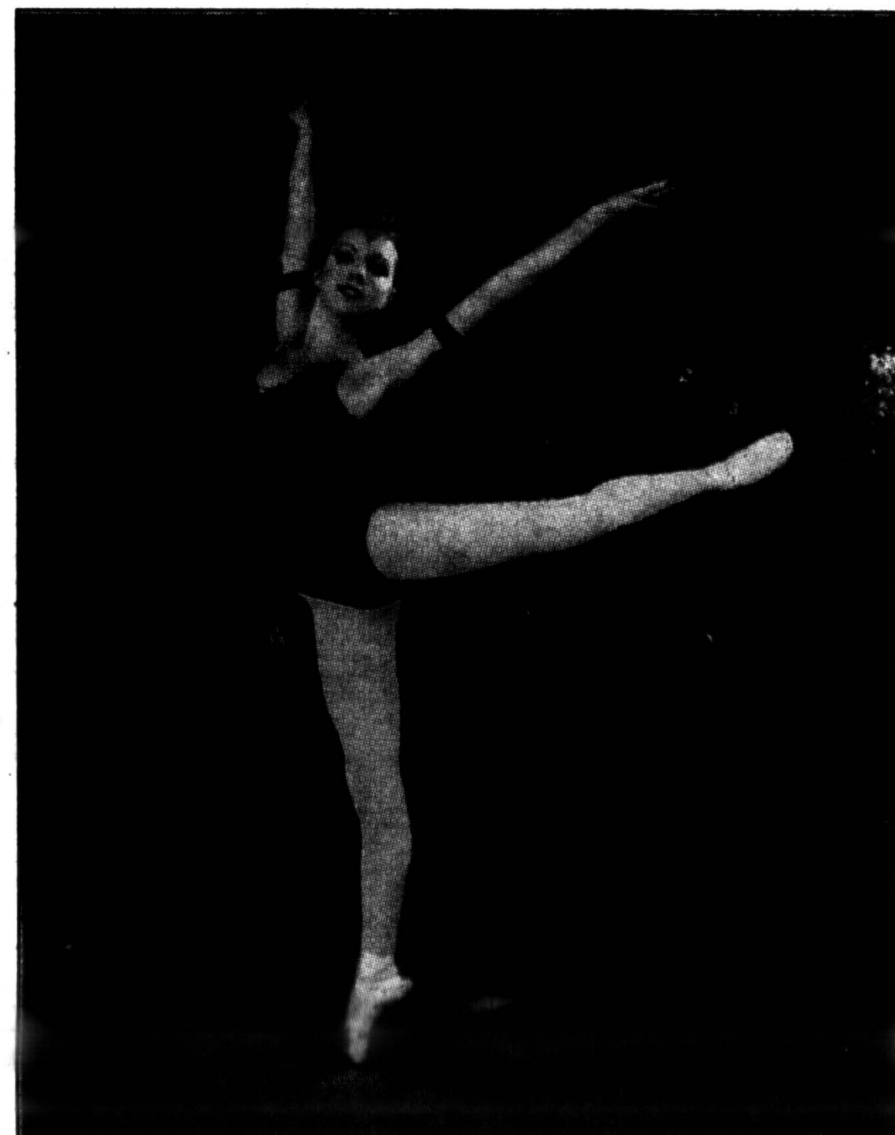
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Romi Rivera dances the role of The Bird of the Royal Court in Act III of the Ballet Fantastique production of "The Nutcracker."

### Dance concert

The Carmel Bach Festival presents its first-ever Christmas program, an evening of dance featuring Smuin Ballets.

The production, part of the festival's Bravissima 2000 series, begins at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4-5. All shows will be in

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# Want to give someone a gift with a heartbeat? Read this first

By MARY BROWNFIELD

**I**T MIGHT seem like a great idea — giving that special someone a kitten, puppy or bunny for Christmas — but the SPCA begs you to think again.

"No one should be surprised with the permanent gift of an animal," said SPCA spokeswoman Peggy Miars. A pet is a big responsibility and "becomes

part of your family," she said.

But the SPCA has come up with a way to accommodate those who think a pet would be the perfect present: pet gift certificates.

All pet adoptions from the SPCA — with the exception of horses — cost \$25.

The person receiving the pet as a gift should be involved in the decision and selection of the animal, Miars said, and a gift certificate allows for that.

If giving a gift certificate isn't appealing, Miars encourages people to bring the intended recipient to the SPCA to participate in the decision and selection of Fluffy or Fido.

"When we place an animal in a home, we want to make that a perfect match — it's a lifetime relationship," she said.

Inviting everyone who will be involved in owning the pet is the only way to handle adopting one, according to Miars.

"You need to stop and think. Think about what you're giving to someone," she said. "If you give an animal as a

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PHOTO/MARY BROWNFIELD

SPCA canines Penny, a 5-year-old tan shepherd-Lab-golden retriever mix and Buddy, a black, 6-month-old terrier mix, eagerly await the arrival of someone who might want to take them home for the holidays.

## Be good this year — shop with a conscience

By MARY BROWNFIELD

**H**OLIDAY SHOPPERS seeking to escape excess commercialism and intimidating price tags while searching for unique gifts this season might consider venturing into one or more of four SPCA Benefit Shops on the Peninsula.

You can be friendly to something furry, feel warm and fuzzy and find the perfect gift for a friend all at the same place, and for not too much cash.

At the Carmel shop, located at Lincoln and Sixth, someone might stumble upon a beautiful book, designer clothes from Sales or Madrigal, ornaments from the Port of

Carmel, an antique photo, a one-of-a-kind painting or an antique sewing machine, according to SPCA volunteer Ana Andruchowicz.

"We have a lot of knickknacks," she said. "People come in and find this and find that — there's something for everyone."

The two stores on Forest Avenue in Pacific Grove — the main shop at 216 and the annex ("a cut above for dollars less") at 208 — will host their 13th annual Christmas Open House from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 4th and 5th.

The shop will open for a preview on Friday, Dec. 3, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., for those who want to sneak a peak at the weekend's offerings. A \$5

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# Calendar of holiday happenings

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the Santa Catalina School Performing Arts Center, 1500 Mark Thomas Drive, Monterey.

Reserved seating is \$30. For reservations, call 624-2046.

## Choral concerts

The Monterey Peninsula Choral Society will perform its annual "Christmas Concert at the Mission" at 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 4 and 5. The 70-member chorus, directed by Linda Taylor Keill, will sing a program featuring "Magnificat" by Johann Christian Bach, "Run, ye Shepherds to the Light" by Michael Haydn and more.

Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$7 for children 12 and under. Tickets will be available at the door if the concerts do not sell out. For reservations, call 645-4728.

"A Chanticleer Christmas," starring the nation's premiere male vocal ensemble, will be presented at 5 and 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22 at the Carmel Mission Basilica.

Music Director Joseph Jennings has created a program that will include a blend of medieval and Renaissance sacred music with traditional carols from England, Spain and France, and American spirituals in specially created arrangements.

Tickets range in price from \$21 to \$32 and are available by calling (800) 407-1400.

The Monterey Peninsula Choral Society presents The Children's Chorus of vocalists ages 8 to 12 in a holiday concert, "On a Winter's Night." It starts at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3 in the sanctuary of Bethlehem

Lutheran Church, 800 Cass St., Monterey.

Tickets, available at the door, are \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Info: 883-2931.

The Carmel High School Music Department will present its annual Winter concert at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10 in Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel.

The concert choir, chamber orchestra, concert band and jazz ensemble will perform under the direction of Brian Handley, CHS music director, and Glenda Bernhardt, CHS chorus teacher. Admission is free.

## Messiah Sing

Are you a singer, not a listener? A trio of churches — St. Mary's by-the-Sea Episcopal, Christian Church of Pacific Grove and

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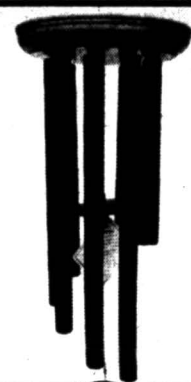
Conductor is John Farr and organist is Judy Midgley. As in previous years, Marcia Stearns of Bookmark in Pacific Grove will have copies of "The Messiah" available at the door, as well as parts tapes, related books and materials. A portion of the proceeds will be given to the sponsoring churches for outreach.

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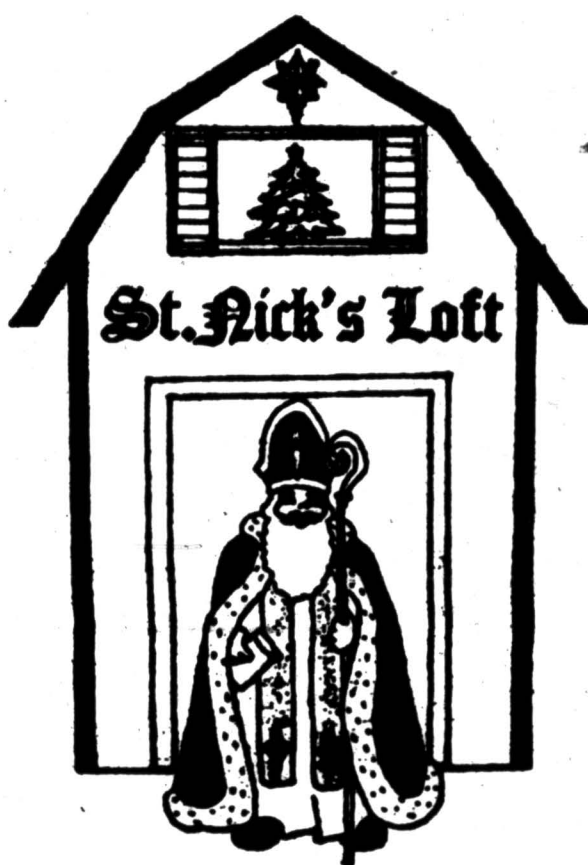
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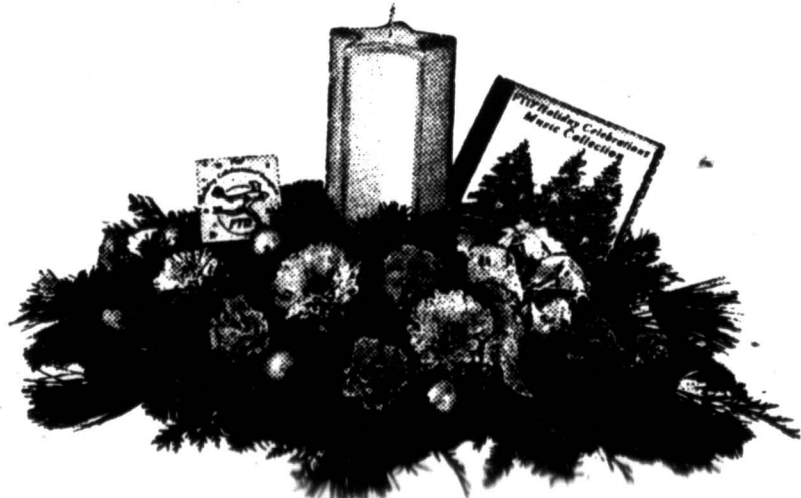
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# Calendar of holiday happenings

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## Dickensian Dinner

A feast that includes roast beef, punch, sumptuous desserts, candlelight, seasonal music and costumes that evoke Victorian England are all part of the Dickensian Dinner held at All Saints Episcopal Church.

The dinner, in its 29th year, will have seatings at 5 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 5. The church is at Ninth and Dolores in Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Cost is \$15 for adults and \$7 for children 12 and under. To obtain advance tickets, call 624-3883.

## Art exhibit

The Carmel Art Association presents its annual Holiday Miniature Show.

Member artists will showcase their talent in a small-scale art format. This holiday tradition opens with an open house from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4. The galleries are on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth in Carmel-by-the-Sea. The miniature show can be viewed through Jan. 5.

## Christmas tree lightings

Entertainment provided by the

Pacific Grove High School bands and choruses, refreshments and the appearance of Santa himself highlight the ceremony slated for 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29 in Jewell Park, Central and Forest, Pacific Grove. Details: 373-3304.

The Mid Carmel Valley Fire Station will have its annual open house and Christmas tree lighting ceremony on Friday, Dec. 3. An open house is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m., when friends and neighbors are invited to mingle around the fireplace and share eggnog, punch, coffee and holiday treats.

At 6:30 p.m., Margaret White, a Carmel Valley resident since 1954, will serve as official tree lighter. She will light the 75-foot Christmas tree that sits atop the valley on Saddle Mountain.

The annual Carmel-by-the-Sea Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will begin with activities for children at 3:45 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3 in Devendorf Park, Ocean Avenue between Junipero and San Carlos.

Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive by fire engine and Carmel Christmas tree will be illuminated at 5:45 p.m.

The celebration is traditionally followed by a holiday open house at Carmel Plaza, the shopping center located across Ocean Avenue from the park.

Dec. 4 is also the date of The Barnyard's annual holiday festivities and tree lighting. From 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on that day 5 percent of The Barnyard's sales to be donated to Carmel High School's Beautification Fund.

## Music

Jazz musicians will perform holiday music during a "Jazztrax Christmas Concert," planned 6:30 and 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3 at Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley. For tickets, \$30 to \$45, call 649-1223.

The Monterey Symphony presents four candlelight holiday concerts featuring music by Handel, Bach and Telemann plus traditional holiday carols presented by members of the Monterey Symphony and Symphony Chorus.

Setting is the Carmel Mission Basilica for these performances scheduled at 8 p.m. on Dec. 6, 10, 15 and 17.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. For reservations, call 624-8511. No tickets will be available for sale or pick up at the door.

## Christmas in the Adobes

More than 20 adobes that comprise Monterey State Historic Park will be decorated and open from 5 to 9 p.m. on Dec. 9 and 11. Guides in period costume and live entertainment will be featured during the candlelight tours of these buildings. Refreshments included.

Tickets are \$10 by Dec. 1, and \$13 after. For reservations, call 649-7118.

## Santa Fly-In

A longtime tradition in Carmel Valley Village is the Santa Fly-in, in which St. Nick lands at the Carmel Valley Vintage Airfield and leads a parade through the picturesque community.

Santa is scheduled to land at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 11. Details: 659-3938.

## Christmas at the Inns

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Bring a new unwrapped toy to the event and help support the Annual Carmel Fire Department's "Toys for Tots" collection drive. Collection barrels will be available.

### Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Friday, December 3, 1999

- 4-5pm - Children's Games & Entertainment, Devendorf Park
- 4:15pm - Santa arrives on Carmel's fire engine & Carolers leave City Hall
- 5pm - Tree Lighting festivities including: Carmel Middle School Band, "Twas the Night before Christmas" & Santa
- 5:45pm - Mayor Ken White lights the tree
- 6pm - Carmel Plaza's Annual Holiday Open House

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Tickets are \$12/\$6 for children. For reservations, call 373-3304.

### Snow on the Row

Children of all ages are invited to converge on Cannery Row at 5:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26 for a Christmas tree lighting ceremony, caroling and a snow scene to play in.

### Juletre Fest

The Sons of Norway Aasgaarden Lodge No. 112 presents its annual Christmas get-together, **Juletre Fest**. Come enjoy live Norwegian music, Norwegian ornament making, Norwegian baking demonstrations, desserts and Julebord (open-faced sandwiches). Admission is a canned good or goods for the Salvation Army.

Juletre Fest begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10 in the Fellowship Hall of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 800 Cass St., Monterey.

### Snow in Pacific Grove

Caledonia Park in downtown Pacific Grove provides the setting for a free snow fest on Saturday, Dec. 11. Also free are hayrides, caroling and entertainment. The snow is typically ready by 10:30 or 11 a.m., to the delight of the massed children. To learn more, call 373-3304.

### Lighted boat parade

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First Night Monterey is a multicultural showcase of the arts. More than 40,000 people are expected to attend this year. More than 100 groups — from a gospel choir to an opera chorus, from folk dancers to poets, and actors to clowns — will fill 50 venues throughout the historic downtown Monterey from 2 p.m. to midnight.

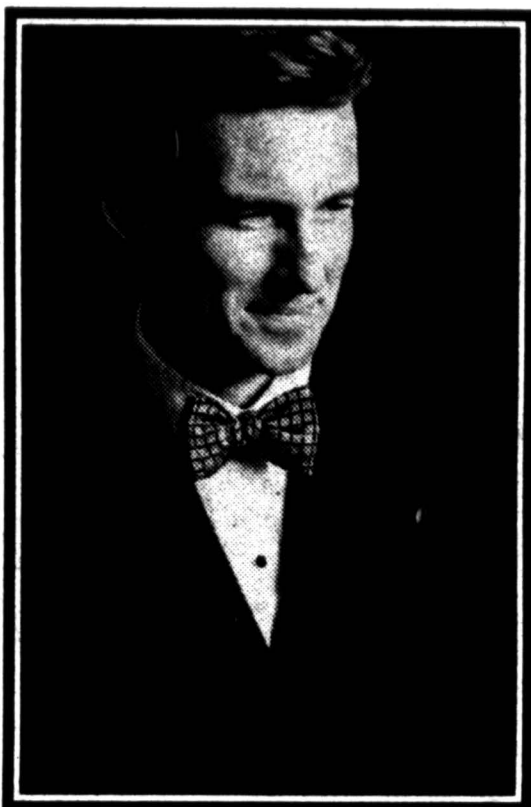
Theme this year is "Share the Light — Ignite the Spirit." Among the new presentations and highlights this year: a full-scale labyrinth lined with luminaria, a geodesic dome filled with light and

arts activities and fireworks at the finale. Among the new performing groups: Mad Pudding — a lively Celtic ensemble, Ku'uipo Polynesian Dance Troupe, the P & T Puppet Theater and a capella virtuosos VocaMotion.

"We're also excited about our many returning favorites such as Linda Purdy and the Broadway Classics Ensemble, the Monterey County Symphony Brass Quintet, and the Amazing Pete the Clown", notes executive director Paulette Lynch.

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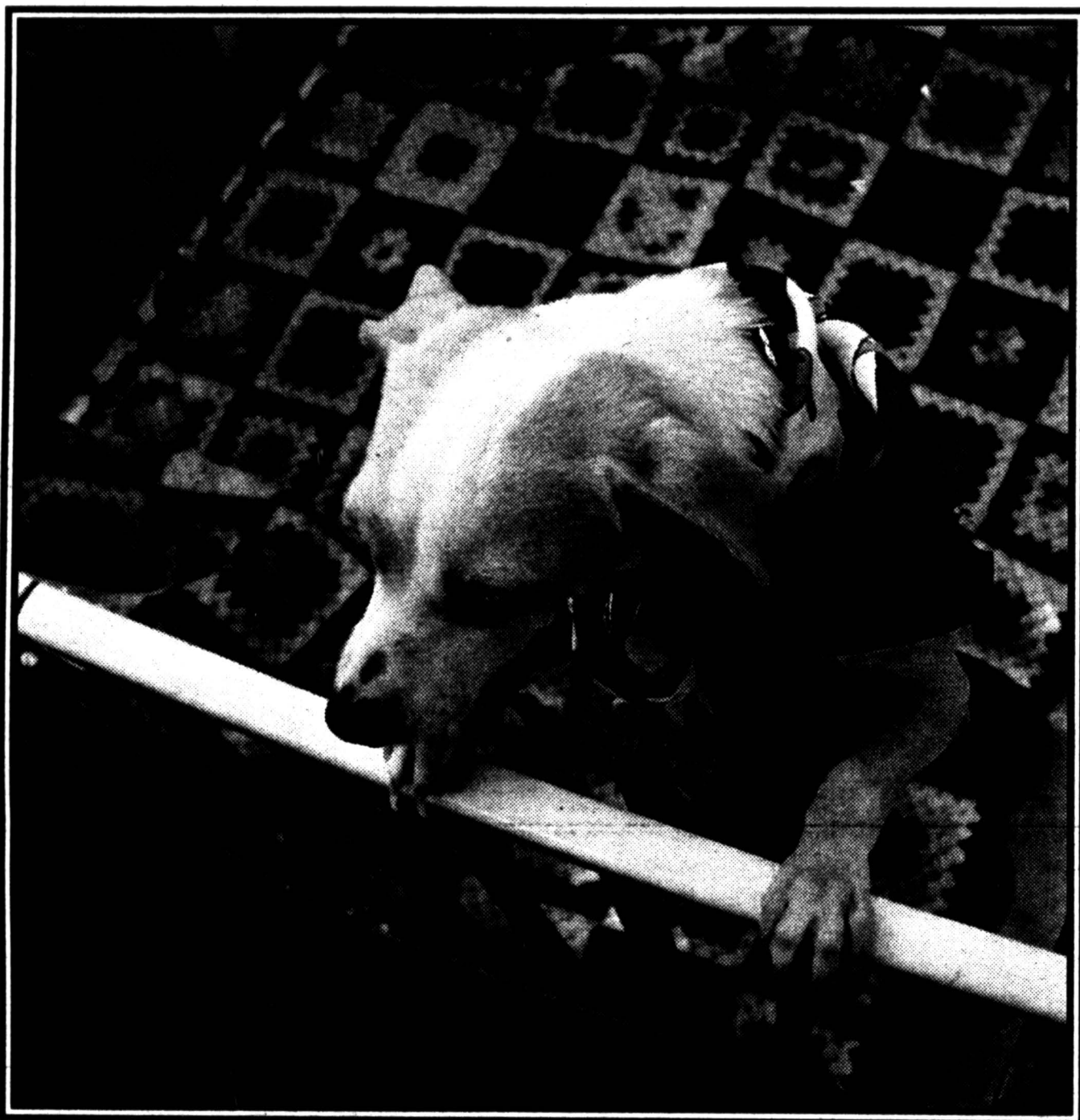
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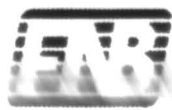
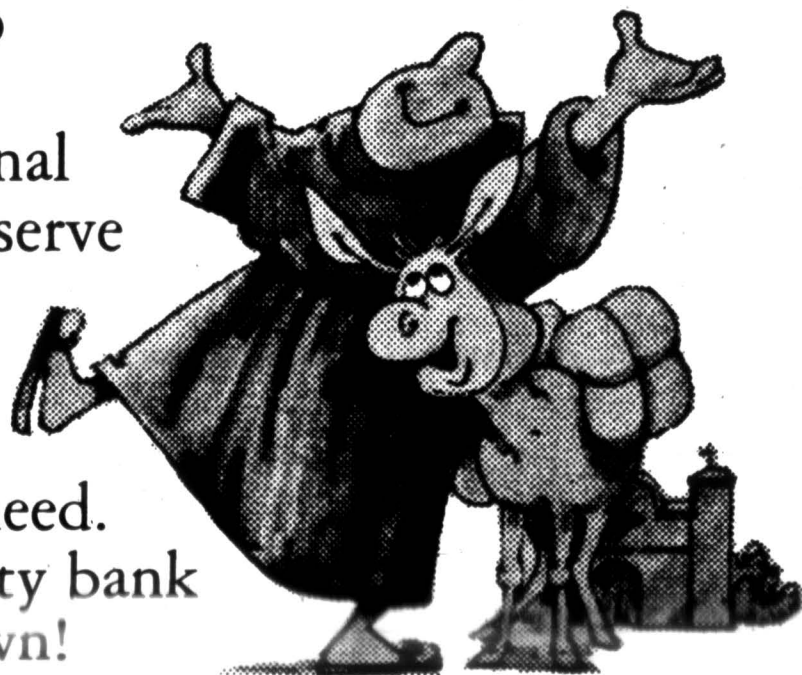
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